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# Annual & Statistical Report

2009 - 2010

Reshaping the face of Racing:
A Collaborative Approach

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The Honourable Dwight Duncan
Minister of Finance
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Dear Mr. Minister:

We are pleased to submit to you the Annual Report of the Ontario Racing Commission for the period ending March 31, 2010, pursuant to Section 15 (1) of the Racing Commission Act, 2000.

Yours sincerely,

Rod Seiling
Chair

Hon. James Donnelly, *Vice Chair*
Pam Frostad, *Member*
David Gorman, *Member*
John Macdonald, *Member*
Dan Nixon, *Member*
Brenda Walker, *Member*

# Summary of Key Highlights 2009-2010

## What does the ORC do?

Officiating
Compliance
Investigation
Licensing
Adjudication
Regulation
Consultation
Administration of Industry Programs

## The Regulation of Racing in Ontario

**NEW HORSE PEOPLE ASSOCIATION FORMED -** At the end of December 2008, the contract between Woodbine Entertainment Group (WEG) and the Ontario Harness Horse Association (OHHA) expired. Outstanding issues remained, and in June 2009 a new association of horse people was organized – Central Ontario Standardbred Association (COSA). COSA signed an agreement with WEG in July 2009.

**ORC MOVES TO THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE -** The Government of Ontario moved ministry responsibility for the Ontario Racing Commission (ORC) from the Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure, to the Ministry of Finance in July 2009.

**MORATORIUM ON RACE DATES –** In light of applications from racetracks to reduce race days by approximately 150 days, in October 2009 the Board of the ORC ordered a moratorium on race date reductions. It launched a collaborative effort with the racing community to develop a new model for 'moving the sport of horse racing forward.'

**ACCOUNTABILITY –** In 2009, the ORC proactively asked the Auditor General to specifically conduct additional audit procedures on Commission member expenses. No significant issues with ORC expenses or policies were identified by the auditors. Along with all Boards and Agencies, the ORC is also now required to have expenses reviewed by Ontario's Integrity Commissioner.

**ONTARIO RECOGNIZED AS WORLD LEADER –** In November 2009, horse racing regulators in Australia credit Ontario as a leader in the fight against EPO in racing, and for its assistance in maintaining the integrity of that country's horse racing business.

**RACE DATES FOR FORT ERIE –** In 2009 - 2010, the ORC played a key, supportive role in saving racing in Fort Erie, and issued the 2010 Licence to operate a race-track to the new Fort Erie Live Racing Consortium.

**RULES ON URGING THE HORSE -** New rules governing the urging of horses came into effect on September 1, 2009. The rules – which apply to Standardbred, Thoroughbred and Quarter Horse racing – focus on the safety of the participants, the welfare of the horse and the perception of the product.

**TESTING FOR STEROIDS –** In June 2009, the Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency (CPMA) began testing for the following veterinary approved anabolic steroids: boldenone, nandrolone, stanozolol and testosterone.

## Statistical Highlights

Almost 28,000 licenses issued to individuals and companies working in horse racing. 1,638 live race days featuring over 18,000 races. $ 1,087,490,046 wagered on horse racing in Ontario. ORC Judges and Stewards issued approximately 2,100 rulings.

To ensure the safety of participants, the health of the horse, and the integrity of racing: Over 38,500 race horses were tested as part of the equine medication control program; Approximately 2,800 due diligence, 700 compliance matters and over 800 other racing-related investigations were conducted; Nearly 500 human drug tests were performed.

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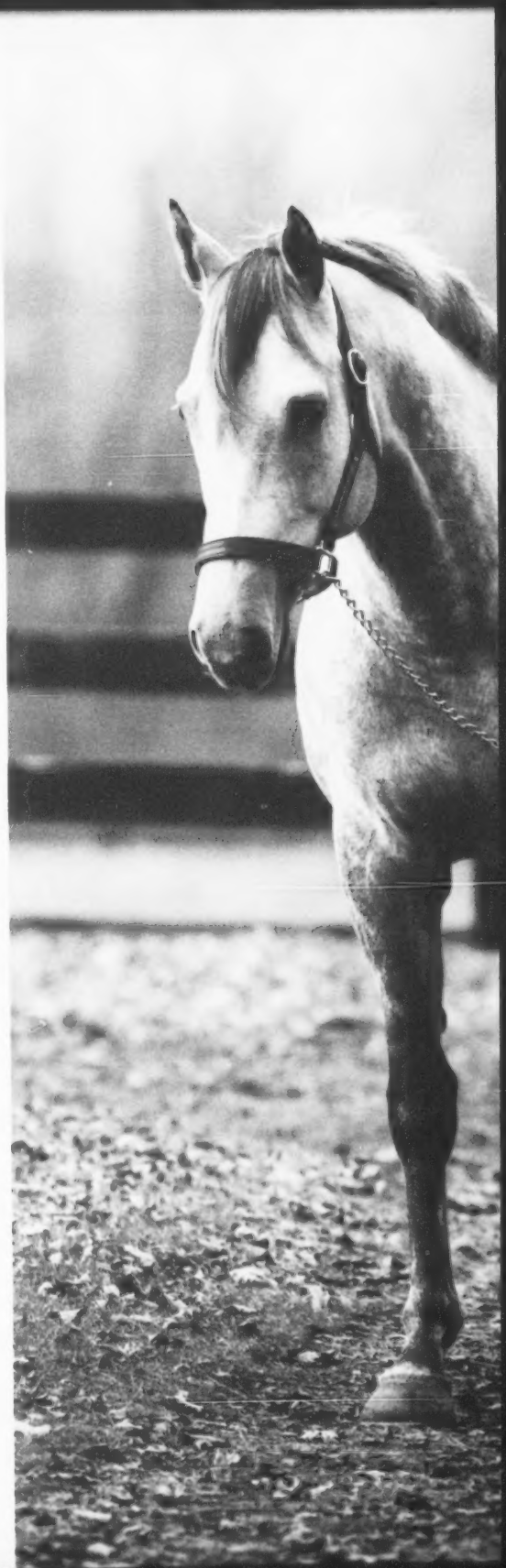
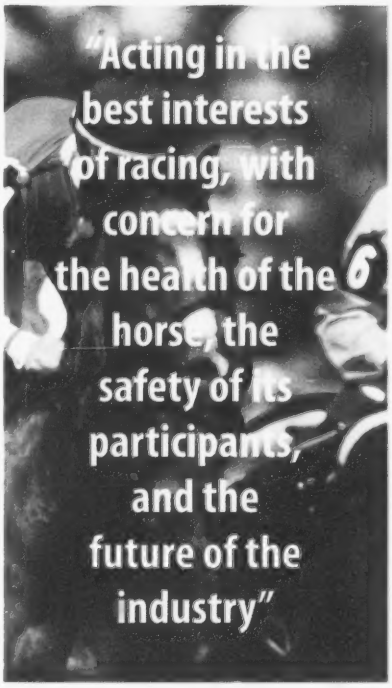


# Message from the Chair

I am pleased to provide this review of the activities for the Ontario Racing Commission (ORC) for the fiscal year 2009-2010. Through its collaborative efforts with the racing community, the ORC has continued its efforts to ensure that Ontario remains one of the largest, most competitive and best places to race in North America.

As we reflect on the year's activities, it is useful to focus on the mandate and very purpose of this agency: to perform its duties in the public interest and in accordance with the principles of honesty, integrity, and social responsibility.

The ORC Board takes this responsibility very seriously and it thoroughly comprehends the weight that mandate carries. In our overall governance and adjudication, and in the day-to-day activities of the Administration, the ORC is acting in the best interests of racing, with concern for the health of the horse, the safety of its participants, and the future of the industry.


"Acting in the best interests of racing, with concern for the health of the horse, the safety of its participants, and the future of the industry"

Of particular note, our efforts to protect the health of the horse, as the new regulations for urging the horse came into effect after significant industry consultation and dialogue. As well, I was very proud that Ontario's leadership in the area of equine medication control received international recognition. Horse racing regulators in Australia credited Ontario as a leader in the fight against illegal medication in racing, and for its assistance in maintaining the integrity of that country's horse racing business.

While these achievements deserve recognition, the challenges facing Ontario's racing community remain, including a changing economic climate and the need to remain competitive in the gaming and entertainment marketplace.

These challenges were evident in 2009-2010: racetrack applications for race dates represented dramatic reductions from previous years. For the ORC Board, this trend highlighted the need for a new manner in which dates were allocated. The Board ordered a moratorium on all race date reductions for the 2010 season and directed the ORC Administration to work collaboratively with the racing community to develop an approach which could better serve the interests of Ontario horse racing and the public.

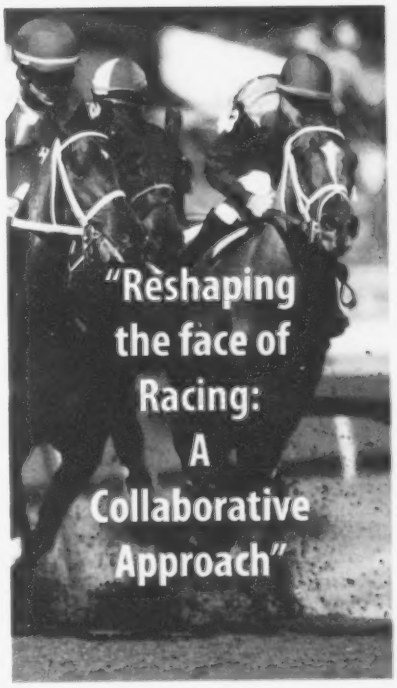
As the result of developments within this last year, the racing community has a unique opportunity: to search for new and innovative ideas to make horse racing more exciting, more fan friendly, competitive, and most importantly, an industry with a future.

We are committed to doing our part to see that future holds promise.

Rod Seiling

# Message from Executive Director

In any given year, the goal of the ORC is to serve the racing community in a professional, service-oriented manner, and to operate prudently within available resources. During this past fiscal year, the economic realities of a changing marketplace and the emergence of an effort to re-shape the face of racing made this goal even more of a priority. Thanks to the efforts of ORC staff and the cooperation of our partners in the racing community, the ORC accomplished a number of key objectives. These are highlighted in this report.




In particular, there has been considerable work undertaken as a result of the Board's direction to work with the racing community to develop a new model for racing in Ontario. I am grateful to all those who have put their time and effort into this dialogue. I have made a personal commitment that this analysis and discussion within the consultation will continue to take place in a transparent, open and inclusive way.

As well, after a year long consultation with members of the racing community, new rules governing the urging of horses came into effect in September 2009. The rules – which apply to Standardbred, Thoroughbred and Quarter Horse racing – focus on the safety of the participants, the welfare of the horse and the perception of the product.

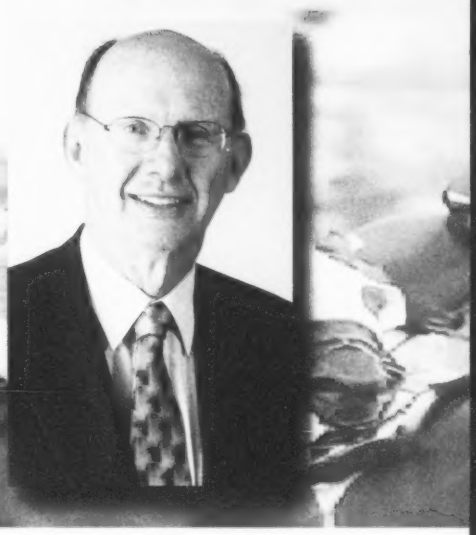
The ORC has also worked diligently in the collaborative efforts to continue racing in Fort Erie. This is a good example of how a partnership of horse people, local and provincial government, as well as the regulator, can work effectively in a manner that optimizes live horse racing. In December 2009, the ORC was directed to oversee Fort Erie Racetrack, and we will acquire the resources and further develop the expertise to fulfil this commitment.

Another notable activity during this fiscal year was the launching of a union certification process for ORC staff with the Association of Management, Administrative and Professional Crown Employees of Ontario (AMAPCEO). I and our management team look forward to working with our employees to meet the dynamic challenges facing this agency in carrying out its mandate related to its role in governing, directing, controlling and regulating the sport of horse racing in Ontario.

The face of racing is indeed changing. The members of the racing community, and the general public, deserve decisive action and innovative thinking to respond to these changes.

John L. Blakney

# Members of the Governing Board



**ROD SEILING,** Kitchener
*Appointed Chair 2006*
Rod Seiling was appointed Chair of the ORC on November 29, 2006. He has a solid understanding of Ontario's horse racing community, having grown up near Elmira where his family had an extensive background in standardbred racing. Later in his professional career, Mr. Seiling spent time in management positions with the Ontario Jockey Club (now Woodbine Entertainment), Racetracks of Canada, and Elmira (now Grand River) Raceway. A former Commissioner and licensee, he is also very familiar with ORC's operations and procedures. Previously, he was President and Chief Executive Officer of the Greater Toronto Hotel Association and was recognized as a strong leader to Ontario's hospitality industry. Mr. Seiling's current appointment expires on November 29, 2014.

**THE HONOURABLE JAMES M. DONNELLY,** Goderich
*Appointed Vice Chair 2007*
Mr. Donnelly was appointed Vice Chair effective February 7, 2007. Active in his local community, he is well known in Southwestern Ontario for his support and involvement in standardbred racing, dating back to Racing Days with Ronnie Feagan in the 1960's and early 1970's. As well, he has served as a Councillor and Reeve for the Town of Goderich and served on the Huron County Council. Mr. Donnelly served as an Ontario Superior Court judge from 1985 to 2005. In that capacity, he served on the Divisional Court dealing with judicial review applications relating to the Ontario Racing Commission and other provincial regulatory boards. He was called to the bar in 1954 and was a partner in the law firm Donnelly & Murphy for 31 years focusing on criminal defence and civil litigation. Mr. Donnelly's current three year re-appointment expires on February 6, 2012.

**DAVID GORMAN,** Mississauga
*Appointed 2004*
David Gorman is a well-known and well-respected racing executive with over 45 years of experience in the industry. Mr. Gorman began his extensive career working for the summer at Connaught Park Raceway (now Hippodrome d'Aylmer). After nine years in the public relations area working for Metropolitan Life, one of the world's larger life insurance companies, Mr. Gorman served as the Executive Director of Racetracks of Canada working with regulatory agencies to improve the environment for horse racing across the country. In 1982, Mr. Gorman joined The Ontario Jockey Club (now Woodbine Entertainment Group), where he served in a series of senior management positions, which included managing Fort Erie Racetrack, overseeing thoroughbred racing operations and managing the 1996 Breeders Cup event at Woodbine. After 20 years at Woodbine, Mr. Gorman retired in early 2003. His current appointment expires on April 28, 2010.

**John W. Macdonald, Q.C.**, Toronto
*Appointed 2009*
Mr. Macdonald is a lawyer with experience in general practice, primarily of a corporate and commercial nature. He was called to the bar in 1962 and began his career with a major law firm in Toronto, and after 10 years of service went on to establish and be a member of his own partnership. Mr. Macdonald was awarded the distinction of a Queen's Counsel in 1979. Born in Montreal, as a teenager he moved from the Quebec Eastern Townships to Brampton, Ontario – the "capital" of standardbred breeding in Canada. In 1974 Mr. Macdonald became a standardbred owner and licensee. He is proud of the fact that, with friends, he was part owner of the Excellent Stable which raced Frugal Gourmet, the 1987 Canadian standardbred horse of the year. Based on this experience, as well as working with clients that race, breed and sell horses, he has first-hand knowledge of horse racing. Mr. Macdonald is still active in his current law firm partnership – Macdonald, Porter, Drees – which was established in 1996. His current appointment expires on December 2, 2011.

**BRENDA WALKER,** Owen Sound
*Appointed 2003*
Born in Brampton, Ontario, Mrs. Walker followed a love of horses into the Standardbred Industry. Along with her husband Paul, Mrs. Walker has been involved in the industry for 30 years. From 1994-2003, Mrs. Walker served as a Director of the Ontario Harness Horse Association (OHHA) for District 9, responsible for Hanover and Clinton Raceways. During that time she also served a number of years as a member of the Executive. In her capacity at OHHA, Mrs. Walker was heavily involved in the Ontario Sires Stakes Program and the Horse Improvement Program, serving on the OSS Publicity and Promotion Committee, the Standardbred Review Committee and the OSS Date Scheduling Committee. As part of OHHA, Mrs. Walker also was involved with the Lasix Committee, with a mandate to encourage the expansion of the Lasix program to all Ontario racetracks. Her current two-year re-appointment expires on February 2, 2011.

**PAM FROSTAD**, Toronto
*Appointed 2008*
Ms. Frostad has had an involvement in the world of horse racing for well over thirty years – as a racehorse owner and industry marketer. Working with her thoroughbred trainer husband, she has gained first-hand knowledge of the changing realities of the horse racing industry. Ms. Frostad has over twenty years experience as a writer and Creative Director for leading advertising agencies and marketing organizations. As a Senior Executive she has managed teams responsible for campaigns promoting everything from horse racing and packaged products, to retail services and government ministries. Ms. Frostad's current appointment expires on June 11, 2010.

# The Mandate and structure of the ORC

### MANDATE

The Ontario Racing Commission (ORC) acts in the public interest to govern, direct, control and regulate the horse racing industry in Ontario.

Reporting to the Ministry of Finance, it is the Crown Agency responsible for ensuring public confidence in the honesty and integrity of the horse racing industry in Ontario.

The role and authorities of the ORC Commission are established by the ***Racing Commission Act, 2000*** (Statutes of Ontario 2000, c.20) and its regulations. The Act clearly distinguishes the roles and responsibilities of the Governing Board from those of the Administration (headed by the Executive Director).

### GOVERNING BOARD

The Ontario Racing Commission is headed by a Governing Board. The Board has overall corporate governance responsibilities, as well as adjudicative duties. It consists of not fewer than three and not more than seven members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

Members typically hold office for a term of up to five years with an opportunity to renew the appointment.

### ADMINISTRATION

Headed by the Executive Director and CEO, the Administration is responsible for enforcement and administrative functions in carrying out the mandate of the ORC. The Executive Director reports to the Governing Board.

## THE ORC IS ACCOUNTABLE

*Accountability* is one of the Core Values of the ORC, and this means ensuring effective fiscal management and care of ORC resources.

The ORC is proud of its track record of fiscal responsibility, having established necessary restrictions to control spending while continuing to deliver the needed services to the racing community.

The ORC has always been in compliance with government directives on spending and has embraced the recent enhancements that have resulted from the actions of a number of other agencies and boards.

Other *accountability* facts:

- While the ORC is a self-financed regulatory agency, the ORC continues to be audited annually by the Auditor General of Ontario.
- In 2009, the ORC proactively asked the Auditor General to specifically conduct additional audit procedures on Commission member expenses. No significant issues with ORC expenses or policies were identified by the auditors.
- The ORC is subject to inspection by the Ontario Internal Audit Division
- In September 2009, new legislation was passed requiring ORC expenses to be submitted to the Office of the Integrity Commissioner for review.

# The Mission, Vision and Values of the ORC

*Vision* – A strong, vibrant horse racing industry founded upon the principles of honesty, integrity and social responsibility.

*Mission* – To ensure effective and efficient oversight of the horse racing industry in Ontario.

*Core Values* – Respect, Innovation and Accountability

## Our Key Business Functions

**THE ORC CONDUCTS INVESTIGATIONS...**
-- employs civilian investigators and seconds police officers from the Ontario Provincial Police to ensure the safety, fairness and integrity of racing.

**THE ORC OFFICIATES...**
-- provides racing officials to supervise races at Ontario's 17 licensed racetracks.

**THE ORC ENSURES COMPLIANCE...**
-- performed by investigators and/or compliance officers, includes: human drug-testing; searches for prohibited items; enforcement of racetrack security standards.

**THE ORC BOARD ADJUDICATES...**
-- and hears appeals of rulings made by racing officials or ORC Administration.

**THE ORC ISSUES LICENSES ...**
to approximately 30,000 individuals and businesses involved in the horse racing community.

**THE ORC MANAGES INDUSTRY PROGRAMS ...**
-- including the Horse Improvement Program (HIP), and the Quarter Horse Racing Industry Development Program.

**THE ORC REGULATES RACETRACKS...**
-- acting in the public interest, to govern, control and regulate the operation of race tracks in Ontario at which any form of horse racing is carried on.

**THE ORC HOLDS CONSULTATIONS WITH INDUSTRY...**
--- as a means of dealing with administrative issues or as a means of obtaining public input into programs.

# Our Partners in the safety, fairness and integrity of Ontario Horse Racing

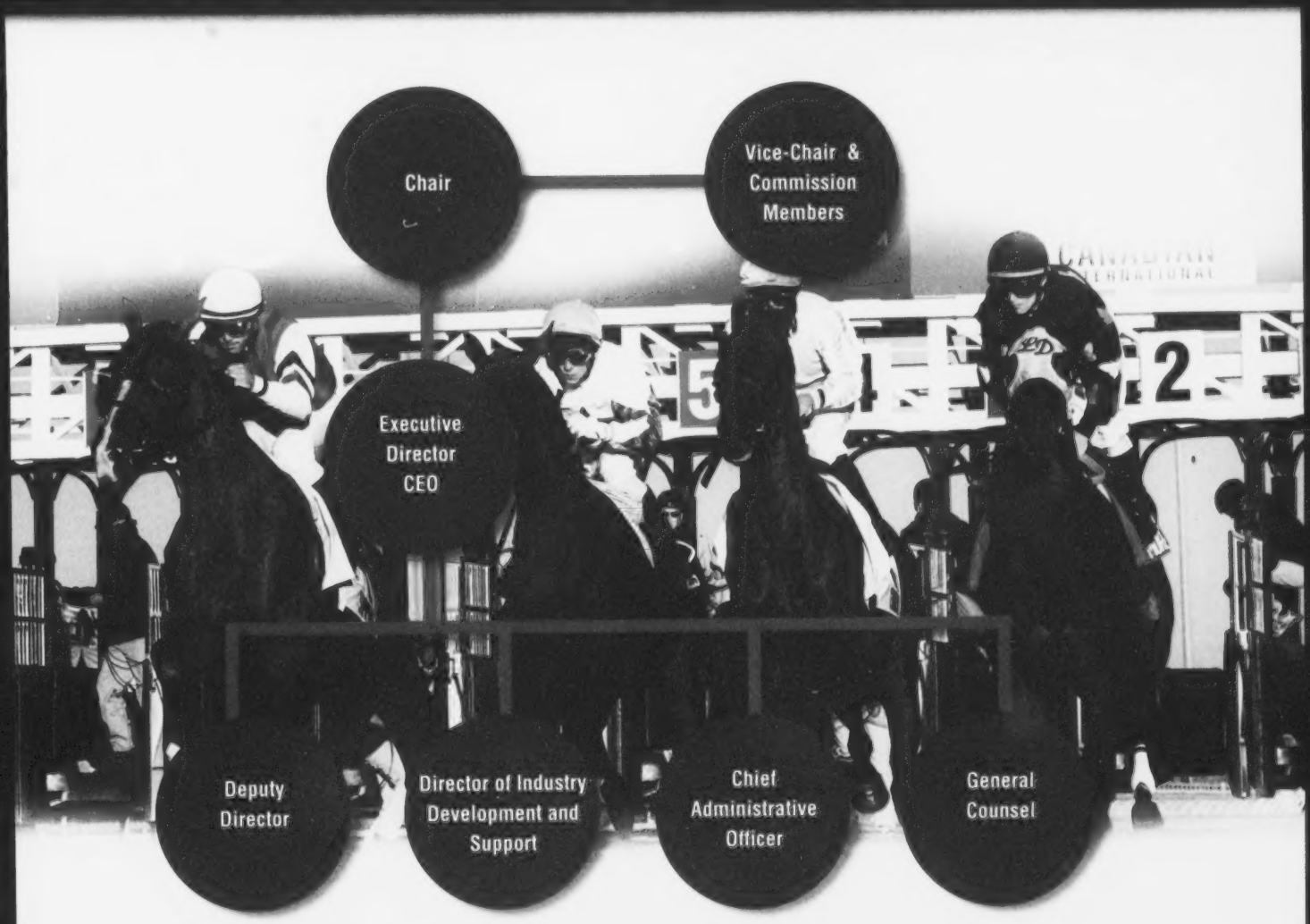
**GOVERNMENT**

Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency (CPMA)
Ontario Provincial Police (OPP)
Ministry of Finance (MOF)
Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA)
Criminal Intelligence Service Ontario (CISO)
Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO)
Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation (OLG)
Municipal police forces
Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP)
Other racing commissions in Canada
Other racing commissions and enforcement agencies in North America

**COMMUNITY**

Wagering Public
17 Ontario horse racing tracks
Ontario Horse Racing Industry Association (OHRIA)
Central Ontario Standardbred Association (COSA)
Ontario Harness Horse Association (OHHA)
Northern Horsemen's Association (NHA)
National Capital Region Harness Horse Association (NCRHHA)
Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association of Ontario (HBPA)
Quarter Racing Owners of Ontario Inc. (QROOI)
Jockey's Benefit Association of Canada (JBAC)
Jockey Club of Canada
Standardbred Canada
Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society (CTHS)
Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association (SBOA)
Long Run
Ontario Standardbred Adoption Society (OSAS)
Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (OSPCA)
The College of Veterinarians of Ontario (CVO)
Ontario Association of Equine Practitioners (OAEP)
Ontario Association of Crime Stoppers (OACS)
Equine Guelph

# Organizational Chart




**Racing Operations (Supervision of all breeds)**

**Investigations**

**Licensing of Individuals**

**Veterinary Services**

**Equine Medication Control**

**Horse Improvement Program**

**Quarter Horse Racing Industry Development Program**

**Industry Support**

**Regulatory Development**

**Licensing of Racetracks**

**Race Dates**

**Rule Changes**

**Special Projects**

**Accounting & Finance**

**Information Technology**

**Communications**

**Human Resources**

**Corporate Affairs & Planning**

**Facilities**

**Other Administration**

**Administration of Hearings**

**Judicial Reviews**

**Freedom of Information Reports**

**Legal Compliance**

**Legal Advice to:**
***Commission***
***Executive Director***
***Senior Management***
***Judges***
***Stewards***

# Key Achievements 2009-2010

| What we did in 2009-10 | Why we did it | What it means to the industry |
|---|---|---|
| **NEW RULES ON URGING THE HORSE** | | |
| Following a year long consultation with the industry, these rules came into effect September 1, 2009.<br><br>Among the provisions in the new rules:<br>• For Standardbred racing, there is now a requirement to keep a line in each hand for the entire race.<br>• Thoroughbred and Quarter Horse rules now stipulate only a 'humane or cushion' riding crop may be used, and the horse must be allowed time to respond before the crop may be used again.<br>• For all breeds, new penalty guidelines are in place to reflect the importance of adhering to these new rules on urging of the horse. | • Change was needed – the status quo was not an acceptable option.<br><br>• Ontario is one of many racing jurisdictions making these changes to the rules.<br><br>• It is the right thing to do, and it is the right time to do it. | The rules reflect the input and the work undertaken by the multi-breed working groups. While there was not complete agreement on all matters, there was a consensus at the outset that 'traditional' styles and practices of urging of the horse are no longer appropriate in 2009.<br><br>These new rules are fair, enforceable and appropriate for today's racing industry. |
| **MORATORIUM ON RACE DATE REDUCTIONS** | | |
| A moratorium was ordered on all race date reductions obligating racetracks to offer no fewer race dates in 2010 than they did in 2009. | Applications from racetracks for 2010 amounted to a significant reduction of 150 days from those approved race days for 2009. | Through a collaborative effort, a new approach to deciding race dates will be determined that better serves the interests of Ontario horse racing and the public. |
| **REGULATORY HEALTH AND SAFETY MEASURES** | | |
| Some of the measures, which were introduced in January 2008, came into effect during this period.<br><br>*SAFETY*<br>The requirement for ***safety vests*** for all persons working with standardbred horses on the premises of a racetrack.<br><br>A pilot study was conducted with a view to the implementation of ***safety reins.*** | In general, these measures were designed to protect the health of the horse, ensure the safety of the participant, and reinforce the integrity of the horse racing industry.<br><br>More than 15 years ago, safety vests were made mandatory in thoroughbred racing.<br><br>The failure of reins has resulted in serious injury and has the potential to cause catastrophic injuries. | Enhanced protection of the horse and all stakeholders through increased participant awareness and knowledge.<br><br>The severity of race related and training related injuries was reduced significantly and participants are satisfied with the success of the initiative.<br><br>Safety reins are a positive step forward in the prevention of injury to horses and the participants. |

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| **INDUSTRY BENEFITS** | | |
| Based on certain events in the industry – including changes to the organization of horsepeople associations – a level of uncertainty arose regarding the sustainability and sufficiency of insurance and benefits coverage for some horse racing participants. The ORC has initiated a review of the current industry benefits with a goal of assisting the industry in designing a revised system. | It is within the mandate of the ORC to take action to improve the health, safety and welfare of all industry participants. | It will ensure stable, sufficient insurance and benefits coverage is available to all active industry participants. |
| **IDENTIFICATION OF NEW FUNDING MODEL** | | |
| The ORC has undertaken a complete review of its funding and its expenditures. A number of new funding mechanisms have been identified – such as the new fund accounting system of conducting hearings – that will be implemented during this year. | To ensure that sufficient funding will be available for the organization to meets its mandate in the foreseeable future.<br><br>The basic components of implementation will be the communication with the industry as well as revisions to the accounting and financial reporting systems. | The ORC demonstrates accountability and stability in its funding from the industry. The Commission has built an organization that can meet the needs of the industry. |
| **THE ACCESSIBILITY FOR ONTARIANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT** | | |
| This act is now in place. All ORC staff, including Racing officials, licensing agents and receptionist were trained according to the act. This training was an additional budget item to the ORC. | Training was required under the terms of the act. | People in the industry with a disability will be treated respectfully and accommodated. |
| **INDUSTRY APPEALS** | | |
| Rule changes were made such that all appeals of decisions by Racing Officials will go directly to the Commission. | Matters heard by the Ontario Racing Industry Board of Appeal were often appealed to a panel of the Commission. | These changes result in improved access to the Commission - ensuring due process in a streamlined and efficient way. |

# Other notable achievements in 2009-2010

**ORC STAFF - AMAPCEO CERTIFICATION**
A certification process has frozen current salaries and benefits and required timely attention from senior management.

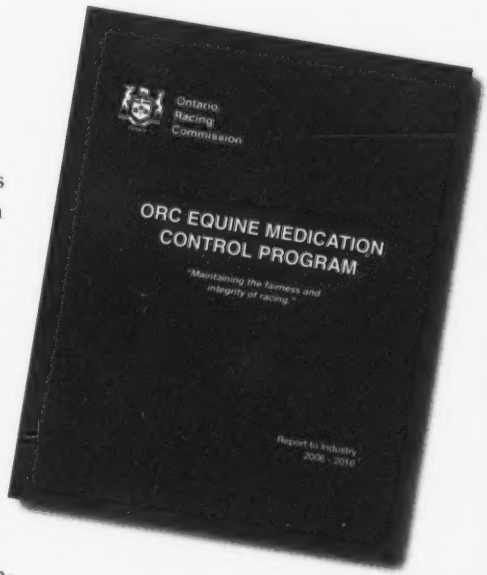
**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION**
An unusually high number of Freedom of Information requests were addressed, placing unanticipated demands on senior management resources.

**PROCUREMENT AND EXPENSE POLICIES**
Changes to significant Directives related to Procurement and Travel, Meal and Hospitality Expenses have drawn on administrative resources to subject the organization to incremental audit procedures as well as change policies and practices to ensure continued compliance.

**REVIEW OF LABORATORY ANALYTICAL SERVICES**
In early 2010, the ORC released a Request for Proposal for the provision of Laboratory Analytical Services. This implementation will include repatriation of the contract for $TCO^2$ testing and establish a more cost-effective method of testing. These efforts will continue the ORC's industry-recognized leadership in equine medication control.

**EQUINE MEDICATION CONTROL PROGRAM**
In 2010, the ORC prepared the *"ORC Equine Medication Control Program: Report to Industry, 2010"*. This report demonstrates the importance of medication control and the prevention of drug abuse to horse racing in Ontario.

The Program report discusses how efforts to break the "cycle of abuse" are necessary to maintain the fairness and integrity of the Ontario Horse Racing Program.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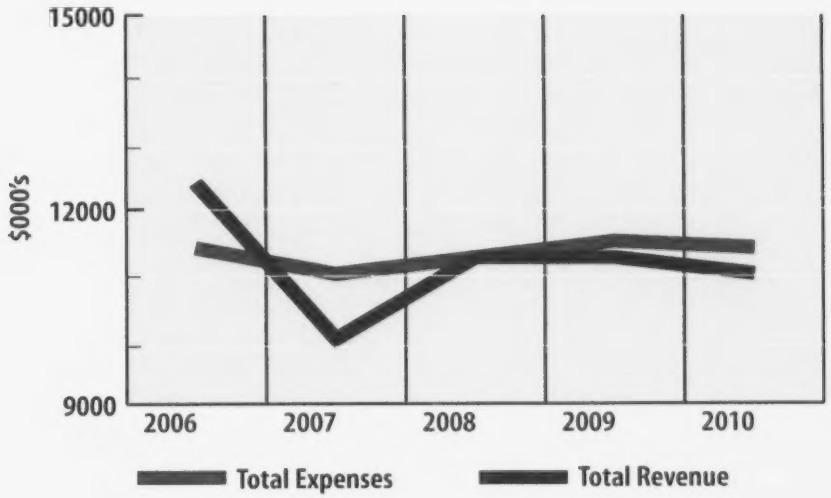
ORC EQUINE MEDICATION CONTROL PROGRAM
"Maintaining the fairness and integrity of racing."
Report to Industry
2006 - 2010

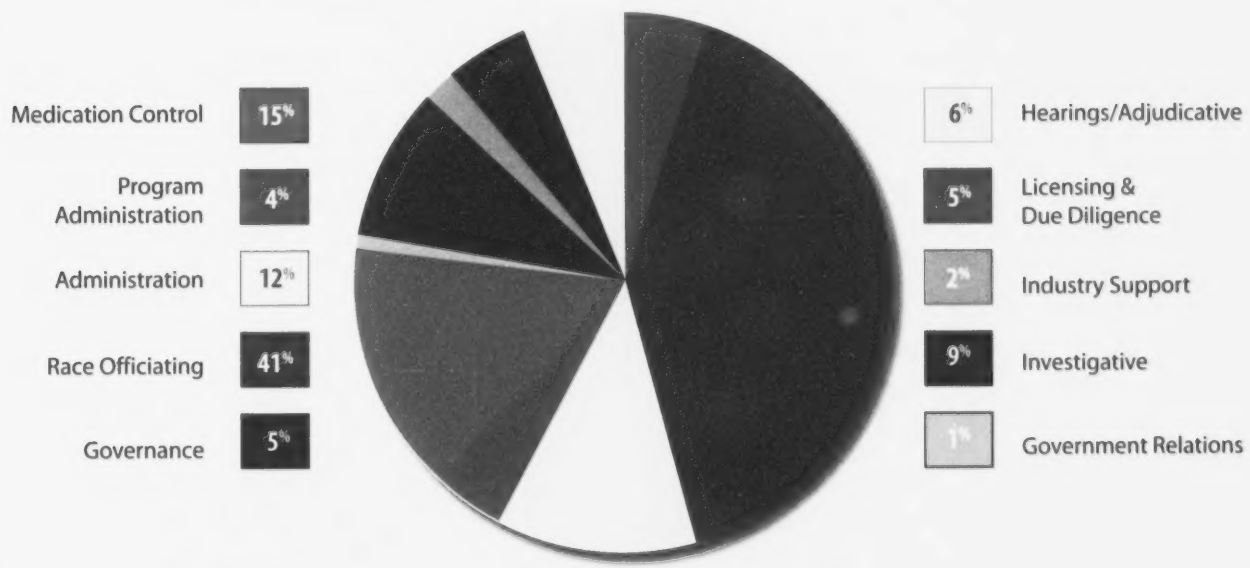
*The Program report discusses how efforts to break the "cycle of abuse" are necessary*

# Financial Performance

## ORC FINANCES 2006 - 2010




## THE COST OF SERVICES
## DISTRIBUTION OF THE ORC BUDGET BY PERCENTAGE



# Management Discussion

**REVENUE**

The Commission's total revenue for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2010 was $11.0 million, down from $11.3 million in fiscal 2009. The total is comprised of the wagering levy of $5.6 million based on 0.5% of 2008 Ontario pari-mutuel wagering, license and registration fees of $3.6 million, cost recovery from the industry of $1.5 million (which is explained in Note 6 to the financial statements) as well as fines, interest and miscellaneous revenue of $0.3 million.

**EXPENSES**

Total expenses for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2010 of $11.4 million represent a decrease from $11.5 million for fiscal 2009. The reduction was a result of a decrease in the costs related to legal services – external legal counsel, court costs and settlements.

**RESERVE**

The Ministry of Government Services approved the establishment of a Reserve account commencing in fiscal 2001-02 that should, over a period of time, accumulate to the equivalent of approximately 25% of the Commission's annual operating budget. This process was deemed prudent since a significant portion of the Commission's revenue base relies on total wagering and purses paid at Ontario racing venues that could fluctuate.

At the end of fiscal 2005-06, the total reserve fund was $1,000,000. In 2009-10, no increase to the reserve fund was made and the fund remains at that 2005-06 level.

For the past several years, the Administration has continued to monitor the organization's financial position to determine if any amount could be added to move closer to our overall objective. This reserve has not increased, however, as all of the ORC's revenue has been required for annual operating purposes.

As a Key Initiative for the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the Administration undertook a review of the ORC funding. The scope of that review resulted in a revised funding plan to ensure the health and sustainability of the Commission and a potential resumption of regular contributions to this Reserve account.

Office of the Auditor General of Ontario
Bureau du vérificateur général de l'Ontario

*Auditor's Report*

**To the Ontario Racing Commission**
**and to the Minister of Finance**

I have audited the balance sheet of the Ontario Racing Commission as at March 31, 2010 and the statement of operations and retained income and of cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Commission's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material mis-statement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Commission as at March 31, 2010 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

**Toronto, Ontario**
**June 11, 2010**

**Gary R. Peall, CA**
**Deputy Auditor General**
**Licensed Public Accountant**

# Financial Statements

## BALANCE SHEET As at March 31, 2010

| | 2010 ($ 000) | 2009 ($ 000) |
|---|---|---|
| **ASSETS** | | |
| **Current** | | |
| Cash | 2,093 | 1,949 |
| Restricted Cash (Note 4) | 6,917 | 6,449 |
| Accounts receivable | 202 | 416 |
| Prepaid expenses | 28 | 29 |
| | 9,240 | 8,843 |
| **Capital assets** (Note 9) | 381 | 434 |
| | **9,621** | **9,277** |
| **LIABILITIES AND RETAINED INCOME** | | |
| **Current** | | |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | 1,463 | 1,208 |
| Amounts held in trust (Note 4) | 6,917 | 6,449 |
| | 8,380 | 7,657 |
| **Long-term** | | |
| Accrued benefit obligation [Note 7(C)] | 721 | 656 |
| Deferred lease inducement (Note 13) | 276 | 322 |
| | 997 | 978 |
| **Retained Income** | 244 | 642 |
| | **9,621** | **9,277** |
| **Commitments and contingencies (Note 10)** | | |

*See accompanying notes to financial statements.*

Approved on behalf of the Commission:

Rod Seiling
Chair

David Gorman
Member

## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND RETAINED INCOME

**for the Year Ended March 31, 2010**

| | 2010 ($ 000) | 2009 ($ 000) |
|---|---|---|
| **Revenue** | | |
| Wagering levy (Note 5) | 5,567 | 5,606 |
| Licence and registration fees | 3,596 | 3,605 |
| Cost recovery from industry (Note 6) | 1,469 | 1,627 |
| Fines and penalties | 350 | 374 |
| Interest income | 4 | 62 |
| Miscellaneous | 11 | 34 |
| Total revenue | 10,997 | 11,308 |
| **Expenses** | | |
| Salaries and wages | 5,544 | 5,426 |
| Employee benefits (Note 7) | 1,066 | 1,184 |
| Services (Note 11) | 3,359 | 3,493 |
| Transportation and communication | 1,131 | 1,126 |
| Supplies | 188 | 196 |
| Amortization | 107 | 112 |
| Total expenses | 11,395 | 11,537 |
| **(Deficiency) of revenue over expenses** | (398) | (229) |
| **Retained income, beginning of year** | 642 | 871 |
| **Retained income, end of year (Note 12)** | **244** | **642** |

*See accompanying notes to financial statements.*

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

**for the Year Ended March 31, 2010**

| | 2010 ($ 000) | 2009 ($ 000) |
|---|---|---|
| **Cash flows from operating activities** | | |
| (Deficiency)/Excess of revenue over expenses | (398) | (229) |
| Amortization | 107 | 112 |
| | (291) | (117) |
| Changes in non-cash items | | |
| Non-cash operating working capital | 470 | (612) |
| Accrued benefit obligation | 65 | 119 |
| Deferred lease inducement | (46) | (46) |
| | 489 | (539) |
| | 198 | (656) |
| **Cash used for investing activity** | | |
| Purchase of capital assets | (54) | (17) |
| **Net change in cash position** | 144 | (673) |
| **Cash position, beginning of year** | 1,949 | 2,622 |
| **Cash position, end of year** | **2,093** | **1,949** |
| *Cash is composed of:* | | |
| General | 1,093 | 949 |
| Reserve (Note 12) | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| | **2,093** | **1,949** |

*See accompanying notes to financial statements.*

# Notes to Financial Statements

**March 31, 2010**

## 1. OBJECTIVE OF THE COMMISSION

Effective December 15, 2000, the *Racing Commission Act, 2000* continued the Ontario Racing Commission (the "Commission") as an independent self-financing regulatory agency of the Crown. The Commission is responsible to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in the Province.

As an Ontario Crown agency, the Commission is exempted from federal and provincial income taxes under the *Income Tax Act* (Canada).

## 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles. The significant accounting policies used to prepare these statements are summarized below.

### (A) Capital Assets

Capital assets are recorded at cost less accumulated amortization. Amortization is calculated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the asset, beginning in the year following acquisition, as follows:

*Office furniture and equipment*.....5 years
*Computer equipment and software*.....3 years
*Leasehold improvements* .....remaining term of lease

### (B) Revenue Recognition

The wagering levy is recognized as income in the year it is due. Licence and registration fees are recognized as income when issued. Revenue from fines and penalties, less a provision for uncollectible amounts, is recorded when such fines and penalties are imposed.

### (C) Expense Recognition

Expenses are recognized on an accrual basis as incurred, in the year to which they relate.

### (D) Financial Instruments

The Commission's financial instruments consist of only cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

- Cash is classified as a "held-for-trading instrument" and is measured at fair value.
- Accounts receivable are classified as "loans and receivables" and are measured at cost, which due to their short-term maturities, approximates their fair value.
- Accounts payable and accrued liabilities are classified as "other financial liabilities" and are measured at cost, which due to their short-term maturities, approximate their fair values.

The Commission does not use derivative financial instruments.

### (E) Use Of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires that management make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities as at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses for the period. Actual amounts could differ from these estimates.

## 3. CAPITAL DISCLOSURES

Section 1535, Capital Disclosures, of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants Handbook, requires the disclosure of both qualitative and quantitative information that enables users of financial statements to evaluate the Commission's objectives, policies and processes for managing capital.

The Commission's objective in managing capital, which it defines as cash and short-term investments in excess of its current liabilities, is to have sufficient capital to cover normal operating and capital requirements for at least the current fiscal year. As discussed under Note 12, the Commission has established a Reserve account, which currently represents approximately 9% of its annual operating expenses. The Commission believes that its ongoing monitoring of capital, combined with this level of liquidity, provide it with the flexibility to address any unanticipated financial adversities. As at March 31, 2010 the Commission met these objectives.

It is the Commission's policy not to take any significant risks in its investing activities. Consequently, in the year ended March 31, 2010, it invested only in interest-bearing bank accounts. The Commission is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements.

## 4. AMOUNTS HELD IN TRUST

As at March 31, 2010, the Commission held funds in trust in interest-bearing bank accounts for others in the horse racing industry, as follows:

| Amounts held in trust: | 2010 ($ 000) | 2009 ($ 000) |
|---|---|---|
| Fort Erie racetrack horsepeople purse account funds | 5,966 | 6,237 |
| Fort Erie Live Racing Consortium | 500 | - |
| Total Carbon Dioxide Program | 440 | 200 |
| Quinte racetrack horsepeople purse account funds | 11 | 12 |
| | 6,917 | 6,449 |

**(A) Fort Erie Racetrack Horsepeople Purse Account Funds**
Due to the uncertainty of the operations at the Fort Erie racetrack, commencing December 2008 the Commission ordered the funds held by the racetrack for the horsepeople purse account to be transferred to and held in trust by the Commission until the uncertainty is resolved.

**(B) Fort Erie Live Racing Consortium**
On December 31, 2009, the Fort Erie Live Racing Consortium assumed operations of the Fort Erie Racetrack. At that time, the Consortium was not licensed by the regulatory authorities. The Commission therefore received and held in trust amounts generated through the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Slots-At-Racetracks program commencing January 2010.

**(C) Total Carbon Dioxide Program**
In September 2008, an agreement was signed between the Commission and the Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency ("CPMA") that CPMA will provide funding to the Commission for the administration of the Total Carbon Dioxide Program. The Program provides a subsidy to racetrack owners for their tests to detect the presence of alkalinizing agents in horses at racetracks that provide pari-mutuel betting. As of March 31, 2010, the Commission and racetrack operators had determined how the funds will be disbursed however no subsidies had yet been paid.

**(D) Quinte Racetrack Horsepeople Purse Account Funds**
Due to the lack of a licensed operator at the Quinte racetrack, commencing December 2008 the Commission has held the horsepeople purse account in trust.

## 5. WAGERING LEVY
The levy was established such that the total sum of the levy and other revenues received by the Commission would be sufficient to cover all costs associated with the operation of the Commission. The levy was calculated as a percentage of total wagering made at each racing association during the 2008 calendar year.

## 6. COST RECOVERY FROM INDUSTRY
The Commission recovers certain costs from the industry for its activities as follows:

| Cost recovery from:: | 2010 ($ 000) | 2009 ($ 000) |
|---|---|---|
| Equine Medication Control and Drug Task Force | 1,000 | 1,143 |
| Horse Improvement Program | 317 | 330 |
| Quarter Horse Racing Industry Development Program | 114 | 98 |
| Purse Examinations | 21 | 23 |
| Miscellaneous | 17 | 33 |
| | 1,469 | 1,627 |

**(A) Equine Medication Control And Drug Task Force**
A letter of intent dated December 20, 2006, between an Ontario horse racing industry advisory group and the Commission established the Equine Medication Control and Drug Task Force. The mandate of the Task Force, which is administered by the Commission and partially funded by the racetracks and the horsepeople purse accounts, is to combat the supply and use of illegal equine medications and drugs in the Ontario horse racing industry. The agreement, which covers the two year period from January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2008, requires the industry to provide regular payments to fund the Task Force and the Commission records these payments as a deferred cost recovery from industry until the related costs are incurred. The Commission arranged to continue administering the Task Force under the same terms and financial arrangements. As of March 31, 2010, all Task Force funding from the industry had been spent.

**(B) Horse Improvement Program**
As of May 1, 2005, the Commission assumed responsibility for the administration of the Horse Improvement Program (HIP).

# Notes to Financial Statements

**March 31, 2010**

The HIP is a racing and breeding incentive program that was established in 1974. The objectives of the program are: to supplement purses paid; to improve the quality and quantity of racing stock in Ontario; to fund equine research; to promote the Ontario-bred horse; and to promote horse breeding and ownership in the province. A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) effective September 30, 1996 between the then Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations, the Ontario Horse Racing Industry Association and the Commission provided for a reduction of pari-mutuel taxes, with these forgone revenues being allocated to various industry participants. The MOU has been supplemented by subsequent agreements to include an allocated portion of revenues from slot machines at racetracks. As of December 31, 2009, the program had net assets of approximately $6.0 million and revenue and expenditures for the year of approximately $46.9 million and $48.0 million, respectively. None of these assets are owned by the Commission or reflected in these financial statements. Separate financial statements have been prepared for the HIP, which were audited by an independent public accounting firm.

**(C) Quarter Horse Racing Industry Development Program**

As a result of an agreement between the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation and owners of the Ajax Downs racetrack, the Commission assumed responsibility to administer the Quarter Horse Racing Industry Development Program (QHRIDP) with an objective to establish a program for the betterment of the Ontario quarter horse racing industry and horse racing in general. Since March 2006, the program has been funded by an allocated portion of revenues from slot machines at the racetrack. As of December 31, 2009, the program had net assets of approximately $19.6 million, and revenue and expenditures for the year of approximately $8.4 million and $5.8 million, respectively. None of these assets are owned by the Commission or reflected in these financial statements. Separate financial statements have been prepared for the QHRIDP, which were audited by an independent public accounting firm.

**(D) Purse Examinations**

Pursuant to changes to the Rules of Racing that were approved in fiscal 2008, the Commission recovered its costs for conducting examinations on the financial statements of the purse accounts that the racetrack operators hold in trust for the horsepeople.

**7. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

**(A) Pension Benefits**

The Commission's full-time employees participate in the Public Service Pension Fund (PSPF), which is a defined benefit pension plan for employees of the Province and many provincial agencies. The Province of Ontario, which is the sole sponsor of the PSPF, determines the Commission's annual payments to the fund. As the sponsors are responsible for ensuring that the pension fund is financially viable, any surpluses or unfunded liabilities arising from statutory actuarial funding valuations are not assets or obligations of the Commission. The Commission's annual payments of $321,250 (2009-$309,328), are included in salaries and benefits expense in the Statement of Operations and Retained Income.

**(B) Non-Pension Benefits**

The cost of post-retirement non-pension employee benefits is paid by the Ministry of Government Services and is not included in the Statement of Operations and Retained Income.

**(C) Accrued Benefit Obligation**

The accrued benefit obligation records earned employee severance payments due upon termination or retirement. In fiscal 2010, the cost of these employee benefits was $87,497 (2009 – $158,717) and is included in employee benefits.

**8. MEMBERS' REMUNERATION**

Total remuneration of the Chair and members of the Commission for the year was $241,707 (2009 – $241,924). Members' remuneration is charged to services expense.

## 9. CAPITAL ASSETS

| | 2010 ($ 000) | | | 2009 ($ 000) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Cost | Accumulated Amortization | Net Book Value | Net Book Value |
| Computer equipment and software | 386 | 336 | 50 | 29 |
| Office furniture and equipment | 277 | 216 | 61 | 90 |
| Leasehold improvements | 450 | 180 | 270 | 315 |
| | **1,113** | **732** | **381** | **434** |

## 10. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

**(A)** The Commission is committed under operating leases on head office premises and vehicles with future minimum rental payments due for each fiscal year as follows:

| | Premises ($ 000) | Vehicles ($ 000) | Total ($ 000) |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2011 | 370 | 209 | 579 |
| 2012 | 370 | 146 | 516 |
| 2013 | 370 | 84 | 454 |
| 2014 | 374 | — | 374 |
| 2015 | 358 | — | 358 |
| 2016-2017 | 358 | — | 358 |
| | **2,200** | **439** | **2,639** |

**(B)** The Commission is involved in various legal actions arising out of the ordinary course of business. Settlements paid by the Commission, if any, will be accounted for in the period in which the settlement occurs. The outcome and ultimate disposition of these actions are not determinable at this time.

## 11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Commission paid the Province of Ontario for: Ontario Provincial Police investigative and related services totalling $1,096,975 (2009 – $1,058,321); and for administrative services, information technology services, and use of computer equipment totalling $270,747 (2009 – $255,481).

The Commission has governance and administrative responsibilities over certain industry-funded programs and recovers its costs as disclosed under Note 6.

## 12. RESERVE

Subsection 13(l) of the *Racing Commission Act, 2000* allows the Commission to retain its surplus funds unless, under subsection 13(2), it is ordered by the Minister responsible for the Commission to pay into the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province of Ontario the portion of its surplus funds as determined by the Minister. In fiscal 2002, the Commission obtained approval from the then Ministry of Government and Consumer Services to establish a Reserve account not to exceed 25% of the Commission's annual operating budget. These funds will be used as an operating contingency against unanticipated revenue shortfalls.

## 13. DEFERRED LEASE INDUCEMENT

As part of its lease arrangements for its head office premise, the Commission negotiated a lease inducement of $459,920 to cover the costs of leasehold improvements. This deferred lease inducement is being amortized as a reduction of rent expense on a straight-line basis over the 10-year lease period that commenced April 1, 2006, being the start date of the lease.

## 14. ACCOUNTING POLICY TRANSITION

In 2009, the Public Sector Accounting Board issued the Exposure Draft for "Financial Reporting by Certain Government Organizations". The Exposure Draft proposes that organizations classified as an Other Government Organization adopt either the Public Sector Accounting Handbook or International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") for publicly accountable entities as the primary source of Canadian generally accepted accounting principles beginning on or after January 1, 2011. Taking into consideration the nature of the organization and its users, the Commission has determined that Public Sector Accounting Standards are a more suitable accounting standard to follow. The Commission will closely monitor the adoption of related changes to ensure it is in compliance with the necessary disclosure requirements but the impact on its financial statements are not expected to be significant.

# Statistics

## BREAKDOWN OF NUMBER OF ORC LICENCES ISSUED

| | 2009 | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| THOROUGHBRED | | | | | |
| Owner, New Owner & Owner Renewal | 2,406 | 2,430 | 2,431 | 2,695 | 2,573 |
| Stable | 997 | 1,037 | 1,094 | 540 | 515 |
| Partnerships | 136 | 138 | 111 | 725 | 765 |
| Trainer & Trainer Assistant | 668 | 640 | 644 | 694 | 696 |
| Jockey | 114 | 97 | 107 | 112 | 94 |
| Jockey Apprentice, Valets & Agent | 77 | 80 | 62 | 62 | 59 |
| Tradesman | 193 | 219 | 225 | 224 | 242 |
| Veterinarian | 39 | 39 | 42 | 44 | 46 |
| Occupational (Other) | 3,006 | 3,305 | 2,760 | 2,793 | 2,863 |
| Association Officials | 447 | 148 | 286 | 293 | 238 |
| Commission Officials | 27 | 27 | 24 | 19 | 20 |
| Pari-Mutuel | 185 | 191 | 153 | 159 | 178 |
| TOTAL THOROUGHBRED | 8,295 | 8,351 | 7,939 | 8,360 | 8,289 |
| QUARTER HORSE | | | | | |
| Owner | 162 | 120 | 114 | 96 | 70 |
| Stable/Partnership | 51 | 42 | 28 | - | - |
| Trainer | 50 | 39 | 33 | 34 | 17 |
| Assistant Trainer | 26 | 9 | 9 | 7 | 5 |
| Jockey | 27 | 16 | 14 | 15 | 13 |
| Veterinarian | 7 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Occupational (Other) | 331 | 201 | 109 | 74 | 15 |
| Association Officials | 80 | 33 | 33 | 22 | 22 |
| Commission Officials | 4 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| TOTAL QUARTER HORSE | 738 | 469 | 345 | 250 | 145 |
| STANDARDBRED | | | | | |
| Owner, New and Renewal | 8,051 | 8,469 | 8,602 | 9,093 | 9,423 |
| Stable/Multiple Ownership | 727 | 817 | 855 | 912 | 950 |
| Trainer | 2,961 | 3,026 | 3,086 | 3,201 | 3,323 |
| Driver | 1,323 | 1,375 | 1,398 | 1,473 | 1,525 |
| Groom | 3,610 | 3,722 | 3,947 | 4,474 | 4,963 |
| Tradesmen | 127 | 120 | 133 | 173 | 183 |
| Veterinarian | 86 | 82 | 52 | 61 | 63 |
| Occupational | 395 | 450 | 467 | 525 | 592 |
| Association Officials | 531 | 550 | 548 | 554 | 521 |
| Commission Officials | 97 | 103 | 105 | 97 | 99 |
| Pari-Mutuel | 875 | 975 | 1,015 | 1,112 | 1,180 |
| **TOTAL STANDARDBRED** | **18,783** | **19,689** | **20,208** | **21,675** | **22,822** |
| | 27,816 | 28,509 | 28,492 | 30,285 | 31,256 |
| % CHANGE OVER PREVIOUS YEAR | (2%) | 0% | (6%) | (3%) | (2%) |

# Regulatory Performance In 2009-2010

## NOTICES

Number of Notices of Proposed Order or Immediate Suspension issued in:

| 2009 | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 16 | 24 | 17 | 9 | 15 |

## COMMISSION HEARINGS

Licensees have the right to appeal all rulings issued by the Judges or Stewards for violations of the Rules of Racing.

| | 2009 | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Thoroughbred Hearings | 21 | 15 | 17 | 17 | 13 |
| Standardbred Hearings | 46 | 46 | 63 | 27 | 31 |
| Other Matters | 4 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 0 |
| Total Hearings Held | 71 | 62 | 88 | 45 | 44 |
| Number of Hearing Dates | 64 | 46 | 54 | 54 | 49 |

## ONTARIO RACING INDUSTRY BOARD OF APPEAL

| | 2009 | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Thoroughbred:** | | | | | | |
| Request for Hearings | 28 | 28 | 31 | 34 | 37 | 33 |
| Hearings | 12 | 17 | 19 | 16 | 27 | 17 |
| Hearing Dates | 3 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| Pending | 5 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | n/a |
| **Standardbred:** | | | | | | |
| Request for Hearings | 61 | 32 | 33 | 51 | 63 | 86 |
| Hearings | 33 | 19 | 19 | 23 | 30 | 47 |
| Hearing Dates | 8 | 4 | 5 | 7 | 10 | 13 |
| Pending | 2 | 6 | - | 1 | - | n/a |
| Referred to Commission | 1 | - | - | - | - | - |

As of January 1, 2010 all appeals of decisions of the Judges or Stewards will go direct to a panel comprised of one Commission member or more as designated by the Chair. This change both streamlines and improves the efficiency in the licensee appeal process, while continuing to ensure due process.

Requests for hearings were often abandoned, and as a result, the number of hearings was less than the number of requests.

## RULINGS

| | 2009 | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Thoroughbred** | | | | | |
| Stewards Rulings | 324 | 366 | 397 | 472 | 534 |
| Live Race Dates | 245 | 247 | 253 | 263 | 268 |
| Rulings per Race Date | 1.32 | 1.48 | 1.57 | 1.79 | 1.99 |
| **Standardbred** | | | | | |
| Judges Rulings | 1,824 | 1,419 | 1,520 | 1,660 | 2,147 |
| Live Race Dates | 1,358 | 1,328 | 1,351 | 1,440 | 1,431 |
| Rulings per Race Date | 1.34 | 1.07 | 1.13 | 1.15 | 1.50 |

Rulings are written decisions by the Judges and Stewards that relate to violations of the Rules of Racing.

## INVESTIGATIONS

| | 2009 | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Due Diligence** | | | | | |
| Licensees | 2,750 | 2,524 | 2,707 | 2,667 | 2,805 |
| Teletheatres | 12 | 13 | 14 | 16 | 22 |
| Racetracks | 2 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 6 |
| **Compliance Investigations** | | | | | |
| Human Drug Testing | 483 | 526 | 516 | 516 | 1,039 |
| Searches | 97 | 97 | 96 | 111 | 101 |
| Seizures | 14 | 35 | 27 | 13 | 20 |
| Teletheatre Inspections | 7 | 25 | 27 | 25 | 28 |
| Trainer Transfers | 81 | 95 | 160 | 109 | 71 |
| **Other Investigations** | | | | | |
| Equine Death | 14 | 6 | 4 | 12 | 10 |
| Other | 796 | n/a | 703 | 649 | 601 |

Summons are served to witnesses in a hearing.

Trainer transfers refers to the process of changing the licensee who is officially (as recorded in the race program) the individual responsible for the training of a horse.

## CPMA DRUG CONTROL PROGRAM

| | 2009 | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Thoroughbred:** | | | | | | |
| No. of Tests | 4,940 | 4,990 | 4,635 | 5,071 | 5,058 | 4,795 |
| No. of Positives | 7 | 2 | 2 | - | 7 | 6 |
| Percentage occurrence | 0.14% | 0.04% | 0.04% | n/a | 0.14% | 0.1% |
| **Standardbred:** | | | | | | |
| No. of Tests | 27,024 | 25,986 | 25,582 | 27,850 | 28,537 | 28,847 |
| No. of Positives | 27 | 30 | 64 | 16 | 27 | 31 |
| Percentage occurrence | 0.10% | 0.12% | 0.25% | 0.06% | 0.09% | 0.1% |

The Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency ("CPMA") is responsible for the program of collecting and analyzing equine samples, such as blood or urine.

## ORC OUT-OF-COMPETITION TESTING PROGRAM

The Ontario Racing Commission Out-of-Competition testing program commenced in 2006.

## $TCO_2$ TESTING PROGRAM

| | 2009 | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Thoroughbred** | | | | | |
| No. of Tests | 2,226 | 2,288 | 2,463 | 2,409 | 2,457 |
| No. of Positives | - | - | - | - | - |
| **Standardbred** | | | | | |
| No. of Tests | 34,224 | 33,082 | 34,874 | 35,852 | 34,805 |
| No. of Positives | 8 | 19 | 13 | 16 | 11 |

$TCO_2$ refers to the level of total carbon dioxide in racehorses.

## EPO ANTIBODY TESTING PROGRAM

| | 2009 | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Thoroughbred:** | | | | | | |
| No. of Tests | 0 | 11 | 419 | 2,867 | 2,866 | 2,780 |
| No. of Positives | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| **Standardbred:** | | | | | | |
| No. of Tests | 0 | 546 | 2,853 | 37,286 | 36,223 | 37,127 |
| No. of Positives | - | - | - | 1 | 4 | 9 |

EPO, short for erythropoietin, triggers the horse's body to produce more red blood cells, and is thought to improve performance by increasing the blood's oxygen carrying capacity. In 2007, improved and more targeted testing for EPO antibodies was conducted under the out-of-competition testing program, resulting in a decrease in the number of "in competition" tests.

***For more information, please refer to the section "Equine Medication Control Program"***

# By the Numbers - 2009-2010

# Glossary of Terms

**AGENT –**
Individuals authorized by the ORC to perform duties, specifically the administration of licensing, on behalf of the organization.

**ASSOCIATION OFFICIAL –**
Racing officials employed by the racetrack, examples of which would be a Starter or a Race Secretary.

**COMMISSION OFFICIAL –**
Racing officials employed or authorized by the ORC examples of which would be Judges and Stewards.

**CONDITIONS –**
Describes the criteria for eligibility for a horse to participate in a race. For example, certain races may only be open to horses of a particular sex or horses which have not won a certain amount of money over a defined period of time.

**GROOM –**
The person who cares for (i.e., feeds, grooms, baths, cleans up after) the horse.

**INTER-TRACK –**
Bets made at a racetrack (or pari-mutuel wagering "hub") on races conducted at another racetrack.

**LEVY –**
A fee that is imposed and collected by authority or legislation.

**PARI-MUTUEL –**
Form of betting originating in France. After the wagers are placed, the racetrack "holds" the money in betting pools, less commission, and returns it to the bettors which have successfully wagered on horses which win, place or show. Returns are based on the amount of money bet on the successful horses.

**PURSE –**
Money or prize which a horse competes for. Typically, the higher the finish position, the more money is earned.

**SIMULCAST –**
Broadcasting of races for the purpose of wagering.

**TELETHEATRE –**
Known in some jurisdictions as Off-Track Betting, teletheatres are betting parlours where races are displayed on television or other video display for the purposes of pari-mutuel betting. Teletheatre bets are made at a location that is neither the place where the race is conducted nor where the betting pool is hosted. In Ontario, all teletheatres must be licensed to operate.

**TRADESMAN –**
Individuals employed in the horse racing community such as blacksmiths.

**VALET -**
The person who attends to the riders and keeps their wardrobe and equipment in order

## CLAIMS

| | 2009 | | | 2008 | | | Percentage Change | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | NO. | VALUE $ | AVERAGE $ | NO. | VALUE $ | AVERAGE $ | NO. | AVERAGE |
| THOROUGHBRED | | | | | | | | |
| Woodbine | 245 | 5,787,500 | 23,622 | 268 | 6,595,000 | 24,608 | (8.6%) | (4.0%) |
| Fort Erie | 76 | 410,000 | 5,395 | 100 | 554,750 | 5,548 | (24.0%) | (2.8%) |
| **TOTAL THOROUGHBRED** | **321** | **6,197,500** | **19,307** | **368** | **7,149,750** | **19,429** | **(12.8%)** | **(0.6%)** |
| STANDARDBRED | | | | | | | | |
| Clinton | 15 | 89,500 | 5,967 | 4 | 17,000 | 4,250 | 275.0% | 40.4% |
| Dresden | 3 | 11,000 | 3,667 | 7 | 29,000 | 4,143 | (57.1%) | (11.5%) |
| Flamboro Downs | 218 | 1,915,375 | 8,786 | 256 | 2,285,450 | 8,928 | (14.8%) | (1.6%) |
| Georgian Downs | 144 | 1,382,900 | 9,603 | 151 | 1,333,000 | 8,828 | (4.6%) | 8.8% |
| Grand River | 37 | 257,625 | 6,963 | 25 | 192,250 | 7,690 | 48.0% | (9.5%) |
| Hanover | 14 | 114,500 | 8,179 | 6 | 48,750 | 8,125 | 133.3% | 0.7% |
| Hiawatha | 26 | 189,875 | 7,303 | 30 | 203,375 | 6,779 | (13.3%) | 7.7% |
| Kawartha Downs | 96 | 777,750 | 8,102 | 72 | 570,500 | 7,924 | 33.3% | 2.2% |
| Mohawk | 106 | 1,963,750 | 18,526 | 94 | 1,686,000 | 17,936 | 12.8% | 3.3% |
| Rideau Carleton | 184 | 1,884,625 | 10,243 | 186 | 2,068,075 | 11,119 | (1.1%) | (7.9%) |
| Sudbury | 45 | 291,000 | 6,467 | 59 | 389,150 | 6,596 | (23.7%) | (2.0%) |
| Western Fair | 38 | 335,375 | 8,826 | 49 | 331,375 | 6,763 | (22.4%) | 30.5% |
| Windsor | 58 | 340,875 | 5,877 | 68 | 575,025 | 8,456 | (14.7%) | (30.5%) |
| Woodbine | 146 | 2,826,125 | 19,357 | 181 | 3,043,750 | 16,816 | (19.3%) | 15.1% |
| Woodstock | 14 | 98,000 | 7,000 | 23 | 162,125 | 7,049 | (39.1%) | (0.7%) |
| **TOTAL STANDARDBRED** | **1,144** | **12,478,275** | **10,908** | **1,211** | **12,934,825** | **10,681** | **(5.5%)** | **2.1%** |

*Claiming is the process by which an ORC-licensed individual may enter an intention to acquire (purchase) a horse entered in certain races (known as "claiming races").*

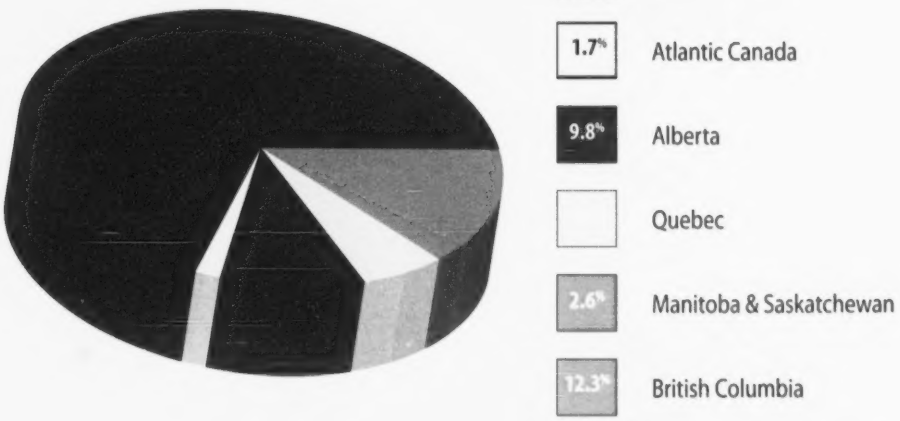
**TEN YEAR COMPARISON OF LIVE RACE DATES**

| TRACK | 2009 | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| THOROUGHBRED | | | | | | | | | | |
| Woodbine | 167 | 167 | 170 | 162 | 164 | 167 | 163 | 166 | 165 | 160 |
| Fort Erie | 78 | 80 | 84 | 101 | 104 | 81 | 115 | 116 | 116 | 107 |
| TOTAL THOROUGHBRED | 245 | 247 | 254 | 263 | 268 | 248 | 278 | 282 | 281 | 267 |
| QUARTER HORSE | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ajax Downs (Picov) | 35 | 30 | 30 | 25 | 21 | 25 | 27 | 22 | 20 | 19 |
| TOTAL QUARTER HORSE | 35 | 30 | 30 | 25 | 21 | 25 | 27 | 22 | 20 | 19 |
| STANDARDBRED | | | | | | | | | | |
| Woodbine | 126 | 115 | 148 | 179 | 177 | 184 | 146 | 157 | 155 | 106 |
| Mohawk | 115 | 116 | 105 | 80 | 80 | 74 | 110 | 103 | 102 | 154 |
| TOTAL WEG STANDARDBRED | **241** | **231** | **253** | **259** | **257** | **258** | **256** | **260** | **257** | **260** |
| Flamboro Downs | 225 | 218 | 223 | 258 | 258 | 259 | 257 | 259 | 259 | 260 |
| Rideau Carleton | 154 | 149 | 154 | 150 | 149 | 129 | 125 | 141 | 155 | 118 |
| Western Fair | 130 | 127 | 130 | 125 | 117 | 120 | 99 | 99 | 98 | 98 |
| Windsor | 110 | 110 | 110 | 127 | 131 | 130 | 153 | 156 | 171 | 184 |
| Georgian Downs (Barrie) | 106 | 105 | 93 | 117 | 117 | 118 | 102 | 101 | 25 | 46 |
| Kawartha | 104 | 102 | 105 | 104 | 110 | 103 | 107 | 79 | 87 | 54 |
| Sudbury Downs | 65 | 67 | 64 | 66 | 50 | 65 | 71 | 74 | 78 | 78 |
| Grand River (Elmira) | 68 | 65 | 65 | 61 | 56 | 53 | 39 | 50 | 50 | 49 |
| Hiawatha | 53 | 52 | 52 | 50 | 61 | 67 | 61 | 65 | 73 | 78 |
| Hanover | 30 | 31 | 31 | 30 | 31 | 31 | 31 | 31 | 31 | 17 |
| Woodstock | 27 | 27 | 27 | 24 | 25 | 29 | 17 | 18 | 16 | 12 |
| Dresden | 25 | 24 | 25 | 24 | 22 | 21 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 16 |
| Clinton | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 17 | 18 | 17 | 17 | 12 |
| Quinte (Belleville) | | - | - | 25 | 26 | 26 | 26 | 26 | 26 | 25 |
| **STANDARDBRED NON WEG** | **1,117** | **1,097** | **1,099** | **1,181** | **1,173** | **1,168** | **1,126** | **1,136** | **1,106** | **1,047** |
| **TOTAL STANDARDBRED** | **1,358** | **1,328** | **1,352** | **1,440** | **1,430** | **1,426** | **1,382** | **1,396** | **1,363** | **1,307** |
| GRAND TOTAL | 1,638 | 1,605 | 1,636 | 1,728 | 1,719 | 1,699 | 1,687 | 1,700 | 1,664 | 1,593 |

## 2009 CANADIAN WAGERING STATISTICS

| | NO. OF DAYS | WAGERING | PROVINCIAL TAX GROSS $ | FEDERAL LEVY $ | % |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **provided by the Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency** | | | | | |
| **Provincial Detail** | | | | | |
| Ontario | 1,645 | 1,088,775,950 | | 8,689,558 | 67.5% |
| British Columbia | 183 | 198,474,728 | | 1,584,427 | 12.3% |
| Quebec | 36 | 97,903,687 | | 779,515 | 6.1% |
| Alberta | 260 | 158,329,865 | | 1,260,819 | 9.8% |
| Manitoba | 85 | 28,339,789 | | 222,065 | 1.8% |
| Nova Scotia | 103 | 12,633,271 | | 98,093 | 0.8% |
| New Brunswick | 59 | 6,059,741 | | 47,924 | 0.4% |
| PEI | 112 | 6,814,413 | | 53,489 | 0.4% |
| Saskatchewan | 56 | 12,733,296 | | 100,090 | 0.8% |
| Newfoundland | 25 | 1,974,982 | | 15,733 | 0.1% |
| **TOTAL** | **2,564** | **1,612,039,722** | | **12,851,713** | **100.0%** |
| | | | | | |
| **ONTARIO** | | | | | |
| Thoroughbred | 245 | 717,568,684 | 3,594,859 | 5,729,693 | 65.9% |
| Quarter Horse | 35 | 357,286 | 1,790 | 2,852 | 0.0% |
| Standardbred* | 1,363 | 370,849,980 | 1,859,966 | 2,957,013 | 34.1% |
| **TOTAL ONTARIO** | **1,643** | **1,088,775,950** | **5,456,615** | **8,689,558** | **100.0%** |

** Includes 5 days of Unsupervised Racing*



## ONTARIO STATISTICS

| | RACE DATES | | | WAGERING | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TRACK | 2009 | 2008 | +/- % | 2009 | 2008 | +/- % |
| THOROUGHBRED | | | | | | |
| Woodbine | 167 | 167 | 0.0% | 631,754,913 | 613,834,129 | 0.4% |
| Fort Erie | 78 | 80 | -2.5% | 37,373,146 | 42,618,336 | -12.3% |
| TOTAL THOROUGHBRED | 245 | 247 | -0.8% | 669,128,059 | 656,452,465 | -0.4% |
| QUARTER HORSE | | | | | | |
| Ajax Downs | 35 | 30 | 16.7% | 10,508,233 | 11,178,599 | -6.0% |
| TOTAL QUARTER HORSE | 35 | 30 | 16.7% | 10,508,233 | 11,178,599 | -6.0% |
| STANDARDBRED | | | | | | |
| Woodbine | 126 | 115 | 9.6% | 197,910,703 | 229,299,136 | -7.0% |
| Mohawk | 115 | 116 | -0.9% | 20,956,806 | 21,858,715 | -4.1% |
| TOTAL WEG SB | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Flamboro | 225 | 218 | 3.2% | 39,518,518 | 39,833,691 | -0.8% |
| Rideau Carleton | 154 | 149 | 3.4% | 30,476,469 | 27,594,631 | 10.4% |
| Windsor | 110 | 110 | 0.0% | 19,416,141 | 21,837,383 | -4.3% |
| Western Fair | 130 | 127 | 2.4% | 20,062,647 | 20,973,575 | -4.3% |
| Georgian Downs | 106 | 105 | 1.0% | 18,593,557 | 18,987,217 | -8.7% |
| Kawartha | 104 | 102 | 2.0% | 9,265,454 | 9,175,276 | 1.0% |
| Hiawatha | 53 | 52 | 30.8% | 4,780,051 | 4,830,950 | -1.1% |
| Grand River | 68 | 65 | 0.0% | 21,755,004 | 22,922,229 | -5.1% |
| Sudbury | 65 | 67 | -20.9% | 11,213,684 | 12,456,022 | -10.0% |
| Hanover | 30 | 31 | -3.2% | 5,164,374 | 5,358,101 | -3.6% |
| Woodstock | 27 | 27 | 0.0% | 2,938,790 | 3,360,758 | -12.6% |
| Dresden | 25 | 24 | 4.2% | 3,947,404 | 4,344,456 | -43.2% |
| Clinton | 20 | 20 | 0.0% | 3,074,685 | 2,841,461 | 8.2% |
| **TOTAL SUPERVISED** | **1,358** | **1,328** | **2.3%** | **409,074,286** | **445,673,598** | **-5.1%** |
| **UNSUPERVISED** | **5** | **8** | **-37.5%** | **41,873** | **59,009** | **-29.0%** |
| **TOTAL STANDARDBRED** | **1,363** | **1,336** | **2.0%** | **409,116,159** | **445,732,607** | **-5.1%** |
| **GRAND TOTAL** | **1,643** | **1,613** | **1.9%** | **1,088,752,451** | **1,113,363,670** | **-2.3%** |

*Race dates columns show number of dates conducting live racing at each Ontario racetrack.*

*Wagering statistics indicate dollars wagered on all horse racing product at (or allocated to) each Ontario racetrack*

## TEN YEARS OF ONTARIO RACING

| YEAR | DAYS RACED | AMOUNT WAGERED | PROVINCIAL TAX $ | FEDERAL LEVY $ | PURSE DISTRIBUTION |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| THOROUGHBRED | | | | | |
| 2000 | 267 | 676,304,806 | 3,381,524 | 5,404,992 | 86,141,250 |
| 2001 | 281 | 728,071,976 | 3,640,359 | 5,824,576 | 101,274,193 |
| 2002 | 282 | 731,486,875 | 3,661,863 | 5,844,315 | 111,556,530 |
| 2003 | 278 | 703,618,327 | 3,518,091 | 5,628,946 | 113,808,607 |
| 2004 | 248 | 680,323,837 | 3,406,397 | 5,433,577 | 98,680,710 |
| 2005 | 268 | 730,868,944 | 3,322,943 | 5,104,600 | 98,123,937 |
| 2006 | 263 | 690,958,615 | 3,464,082 | 5,519,417 | 97,932,190 |
| 2007 | 253 | 739,771,615 | 3,707,412 | 5,909,495 | 97,746,332 |
| 2008 | 247 | 735,275,131 | 3,698,749 | 5,860,669 | 93,153,197 |
| 2009 | 245 | 717,568,684 | 3,594,859 | 5,729,693 | 98,854,326 |
| QUARTER HORSE | | | | | |
| 2000 | 19 | 92,382 | 462 | 739 | 204,725 |
| 2001 | 20 | 102,862 | 514 | 823 | 246,600 |
| 2002 | 22 | 110,546 | 553 | 882 | 270,000 |
| 2003 | 27 | 139,872 | 699 | 1,119 | 313,819 |
| 2004 | 25 | 106,155 | 532 | 847 | 310,861 |
| 2005 | 21 | 99,351 | 498 | 793 | 343,520 |
| 2006 | 25 | 120,810 | 606 | 963 | 1,384,077 |
| 2007 | 30 | 197,002 | 988 | 1,571 | 2,146,225 |
| 2008 | 30 | 178,577 | 896 | 1,423 | 3,026,105 |
| 2009 | 35 | 357,286 | 1,790 | 2,852 | 3,632,427 |
| STANDARDBRED | | | | | |
| 2000 | 1,321 | 516,615,809 | 2,583,079 | 4,132,926 | 141,426,121 |
| 2001 | 1,380 | 518,785,484 | 2,593,927 | 4,150,284 | 169,077,911 |
| 2002 | 1,411 | 512,352,949 | 2,565,646 | 4,092,103 | 189,043,494 |
| 2003 | 1,395 | 501,435,143 | 2,507,175 | 4,011,481 | 184,858,676 |
| 2004 | 1,437 | 496,580,496 | 2,486,881 | 3,965,410 | 190,278,011 |
| 2005 | 1,442 | 394,675,835 | 2,314,967 | 3,553,865 | 181,915,738 |
| 2006 | 1,448 | 429,605,660 | 2,154,957 | 3,429,774 | 184,753,263 |
| 2007 | 1,361 | 381,428,025 | 1,912,282 | 3,043,409 | 178,004,522 |
| 2008 | 1,336 | 377,909,962 | 1,898,630 | 3,007,348 | 176,560,169 |
| 2009 | 1,363 | 370,849,980 | 1,859,966 | 2,957,013 | 183,958,932 |

*Note: Wagering statistics only include betting transactions in the Province of Ontario.*
*Betting transactions made in other jurisdictions on Ontario product are not included in these figures.*

## 2009 WAGERING BY TYPE

| TRACKS | LIVE | % of Total Wagering | Intertrack | % of Total Wagering | Teletheatre | % of Total Wagering | TAB | % of Total Wagering | Total Thoroughbred | Total Standardbred | Total Wagering |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| THOROUGHBRED | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Woodbine | 55,279,565 | 8.8% | 108,176,181 | 17.1% | 337,679,276 | 53.5% | 130,619,890 | 20.7% | 631,754,913 | - | 631,754,913 |
| Fort Erie | 4,739,589 | 12.7% | 7,012,127 | 18.8% | 22,871,270 | 61.2% | 2,750,160 | 7.4% | 30,984,252 | 6,388,894 | 37,373,146 |
| TOTAL TB | 60,019,154 | 9.0% | 115,188,308 | 17.2% | 360,550,547 | 53.9% | 133,370,050 | 19.9% | 662,739,165 | 6,388,894 | 669,128,059 |
| QUARTER HORSE | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ajax Downs | 357,286 | 3.4% | 10,150,947 | 96.6% | - | 0.0% | - | 0.0% | 7,274,925 | 3,233,308 | 10,508,233 |
| TOTAL QH | 357,286 | 3.4% | 10,150,947 | 96.6% | - | 0.0% | - | 0.0% | 7,274,925 | 3,233,308 | 10,508,233 |
| STANDARDBRED | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Woodbine | 21,537,731 | 10.9% | 19,860,888 | 10.0% | 111,409,466 | 56.3% | 45,102,619 | 22.8% | 15,307,243 | 182,603,460 | 197,910,703 |
| Mohawk | - | 0.0% | 20,956,806 | 100.0% | - | 0.0% | - | 0.0% | 6,471,678 | 14,485,127 | 20,956,806 |
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| Flamboro | 4,534,172 | 11.5% | 11,675,606 | 29.5% | 15,820,732 | 40.0% | 7,488,007 | 18.9% | 20,703,827 | 18,814,690 | 39,518,518 |
| Rideau Carleton | 4,544,298 | 14.9% | 7,035,063 | 23.1% | 15,877,566 | 52.1% | 3,019,542 | 9.9% | 11,407,562 | 19,068,907 | 30,476,469 |
| Windsor | 2,785,608 | 14.3% | 12,899,460 | 66.4% | 264,489 | 1.4% | 3,466,584 | 17.9% | 7,866,364 | 11,549,777 | 19,416,141 |
| Georgian | 2,677,506 | 14.4% | 11,137,259 | 59.9% | 1,373,133 | 7.4% | 3,405,659 | 18.3% | 9,938,467 | 8,655,089 | 18,593,557 |
| Western Fair | 3,035,831 | 15.1% | 13,748,189 | 68.5% | - | 0.0% | 3,278,627 | 16.3% | 7,627,899 | 12,434,748 | 20,062,647 |
| Kawartha | 2,636,656 | 28.5% | 3,674,220 | 39.7% | 221,945 | 2.4% | 2,732,633 | 29.5% | 2,788,986 | 6,476,468 | 9,265,454 |
| Hiawatha | 1,166,114 | 24.4% | 3,351,964 | 70.1% | - | 0.0% | 261,974 | 5.5% | 1,367,453 | 3,412,598 | 4,780,051 |
| Grand River | 1,268,391 | 5.8% | 4,104,860 | 18.9% | 13,872,308 | 63.8% | 2,509,445 | 11.5% | 11,372,380 | 10,382,624 | 21,755,004 |
| Sudbury | 520,013 | 4.6% | 1,099,170 | 9.8% | 9,594,502 | 85.6% | - | 0.0% | 6,596,056 | 4,617,629 | 11,213,684 |
| Hanover | 512,581 | 9.9% | 2,558,965 | 49.6% | 1,245,556 | 24.1% | 847,272 | 16.4% | 2,016,095 | 3,148,278 | 5,164,374 |
| Quinte | - | 0.0% | - | 0.0% | - | 0.0% | - | 0.0% | | - | - |
| Woodstock | 280,570 | 9.5% | 1,938,452 | 66.0% | - | 0.0% | 719,768 | 24.5% | 978,036 | 1,960,754 | 2,938,790 |
| Dresden | 409,408 | 10.4% | 1,388,155 | 35.2% | 1,481,749 | 37.5% | 668,092 | 16.9% | 937,778 | 3,009,626 | 3,947,404 |
| Clinton | 406,044 | 13.2% | 1,898,844 | 61.8% | - | 0.0% | 769,797 | 25.0% | 922,628 | 2,152,057 | 3,074,685 |
| **TOTAL SUPERVISED SB** | **46,314,923** | **11.3%** | **117,327,899** | **28.7%** | **171,161,446** | **41.8%** | **74,270,019** | **18.2%** | **106,302,453** | **302,771,833** | **409,074,286** |
| **UNSUPERVISED SB** | **41,873** | **100%** | | | | | | | | **41,873** | **41,873** |
| **TOTAL SB** | **46,356,796** | **11.3%** | **117,327,899** | **28.7%** | **171,161,446** | **41.8%** | **74,270,019** | **18.2%** | **106,302,453** | **302,813,706** | **409,116,159** |
| GRAND TOTAL | 106,733,236 | 9.8% | 242,667,153 | 22.3% | 531,711,993 | 48.8% | 207,640,069 | 19.1% | 776,316,543 | 312,435,908 | 1,088,752,451 |

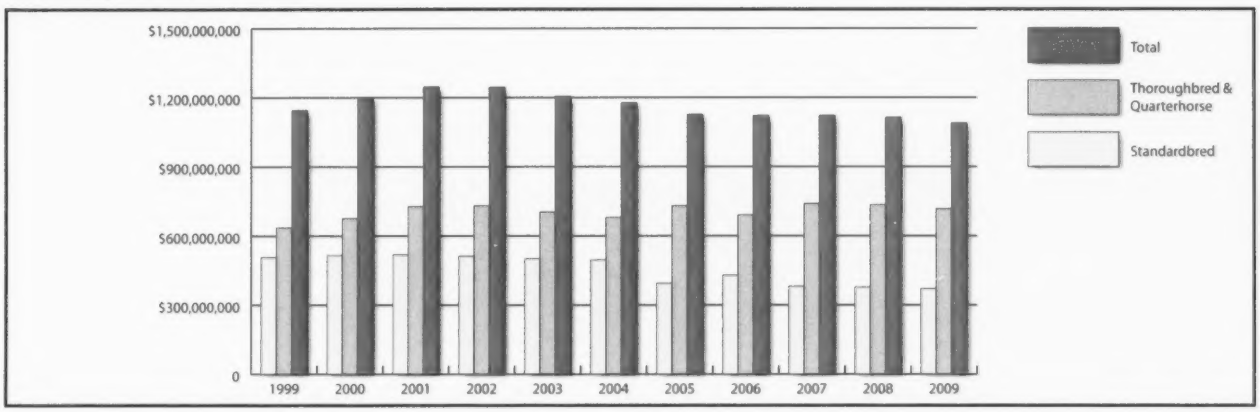
*Please see Glossary of Terms (Pg 28) for additional information.*

## 2009 WAGERING FOREIGN VS ONTARIO

| | FOREIGN | | | | | | ONTARIO | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TRACKS | Thoroughbred | % of TB | Standardbred | % of SB | Total Foreign | % of Total | Thoroughbred | % of TB | Standardbred | % of SB | Total Ontario | % of Total |
| **THOROUGHBRED** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Woodbine | 492,105,892 | 77.9% | - | | 492,105,892 | 77.9% | 139,649,021 | 22.1% | - | | 139,649,021 | 22.1% |
| Fort Erie | 19,619,787 | 63.3% | 2,067,263 | 32.4% | 21,687,050 | 58.0% | 11,364,466 | 36.7% | 4,321,631 | 67.6% | 15,686,096 | 42.0% |
| **TOTAL TB** | 511,725,678 | 77.2% | 2,067,263 | 32.4% | 513,792,941 | 76.8% | 151,013,487 | 22.8% | 4,321,631 | 67.6% | 155,335,117 | 23.2% |
| **QUARTER HORSE** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ajax Downs | 5,367,875 | 73.8% | 1,147,812 | 35.5% | 6,515,687 | 62.0% | 1,907,050 | 26.2% | 2,085,496 | 64.5% | 3,992,546 | 38.0% |
| **TOTAL QH** | 5,367,875 | 73.8% | 1,147,812 | 35.5% | 6,515,687 | 62.0% | 1,907,050 | 26.2% | 2,085,496 | 64.5% | 3,992,546 | 38.0% |
| **STANDARDBRED** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Woodbine | 15,307,243 | 100.0% | 65,694,263 | 81.0% | 81,001,506 | 40.9% | - | 0.0% | 116,909,197 | 84.0% | 116,909,197 | 59.1% |
| Mohawk | 5,411,896 | 83.6% | 2,559,039 | 17.7% | 7,970,935 | 38.0% | 1,059,782 | 16.4% | 11,926,089 | 82.3% | 12,985,871 | 62.0% |
| **TOTAL WEG SB** | 20,719,139 | 95.1% | 68,253,302 | 64.6% | 88,972,441 | 40.7% | 1,059,782 | 4.9% | 128,835,286 | 63.4% | 129,895,068 | 59.3% |
| Flamboro | 16,048,423 | 77.5% | 4,656,807 | 24.8% | 20,705,231 | 52.4% | 4,655,404 | 22.5% | 14,157,883 | 75.2% | 18,813,288 | 47.6% |
| Rideau Carleton | 8,876,343 | 77.8% | 4,146,407 | 21.7% | 13,022,750 | 42.7% | 2,531,219 | 22.2% | 14,922,500 | 78.3% | 17,453,719 | 57.3% |
| Windsor | 6,391,832 | 81.3% | 2,882,213 | 25.0% | 9,274,045 | 47.8% | 1,474,532 | 18.7% | 8,667,565 | 75.0% | 10,142,097 | 52.2% |
| Georgian | 7,569,510 | 76.2% | 2,071,417 | 18.9% | 9,640,927 | 51.9% | 2,368,957 | 23.8% | 6,583,672 | 73.1% | 8,952,629 | 48.1% |
| Western Fair | 6,368,895 | 83.5% | 3,682,248 | 29.6% | 10,051,143 | 50.1% | 1,259,004 | 16.5% | 8,752,500 | 70.4% | 10,011,504 | 49.9% |
| Kawartha | 1,940,805 | 69.6% | 859,512 | 13.3% | 2,800,317 | 30.2% | 848,181 | 30.4% | 5,616,956 | 86.7% | 6,465,138 | 69.8% |
| Hiawatha | 1,054,776 | 77.1% | 670,926 | 19.7% | 1,725,702 | 36.1% | 312,677 | 22.9% | 2,741,672 | 80.3% | 3,054,349 | 63.9% |
| Grand River | 9,212,873 | 81.0% | 3,155,302 | 30.4% | 12,368,175 | 56.9% | 2,159,507 | 19.0% | 7,227,321 | 69.6% | 9,386,828 | 43.1% |
| Sudbury | 5,033,053 | 76.3% | 1,715,201 | 37.1% | 6,748,254 | 60.2% | 1,563,003 | 23.7% | 2,902,428 | 62.9% | 4,465,430 | 39.8% |
| Hanover | 1,475,218 | 73.2% | 647,547 | 30.6% | 2,122,765 | 41.1% | 540,877 | 26.8% | 2,500,731 | 79.4% | 3,041,609 | 58.9% |
| Quinte | - | 0.0% | - | | | 0.0% | - | 0.0% | | | - | 0.0% |
| Woodstock | 701,866 | 71.8% | 322,768 | 16.3% | 1,024,634 | 34.9% | 276,170 | 28.2% | 1,637,986 | 83.7% | 1,914,156 | 65.1% |
| Dresden | 773,407 | 82.5% | 1,416,109 | 47.1% | 2,189,516 | 55.5% | 164,371 | 17.5% | 1,593,516 | 52.9% | 1,757,887 | 44.5% |
| Clinton | 647,349 | 70.2% | 344,486 | 16.0% | 991,835 | 32.3% | 275,279 | 29.8% | 1,807,571 | 84.0% | 2,082,849 | 67.7% |
| **TOTAL SUPERVISED SB** | 86,813,488 | 81.7% | 94,824,246 | 31.3% | 181,637,734 | 44.4% | 19,488,964 | 18.3% | 207,947,588 | 68.7% | 227,436,552 | 55.6% |
| **UNSUPERVISED SB** | - | | - | | | | - | | 41,873 | 100.0% | 41,873 | 100.0% |
| **TOTAL SB** | 86,813,488 | 81.7% | 94,824,246 | 31.3% | 181,637,734 | 44.4% | 19,488,964 | 18.3% | 207,989,461 | 68.7% | 227,478,425 | 55.6% |
| **GRAND TOTAL** | **603,907,042** | **77.8%** | **98,039,321** | **31.4%** | **701,946,363** | **64.5%** | **172,409,501** | **22.2%** | **214,396,547** | **68.6%** | **386,806,088** | **35.5%** |

*All wagering conducted through Ontario racetracks, classified by wagering on Ontario live horse racing ("Ontario") or races conducted outside of Ontario ("Foreign") and by breed.*

## ONTARIO WAGERING BY BREED

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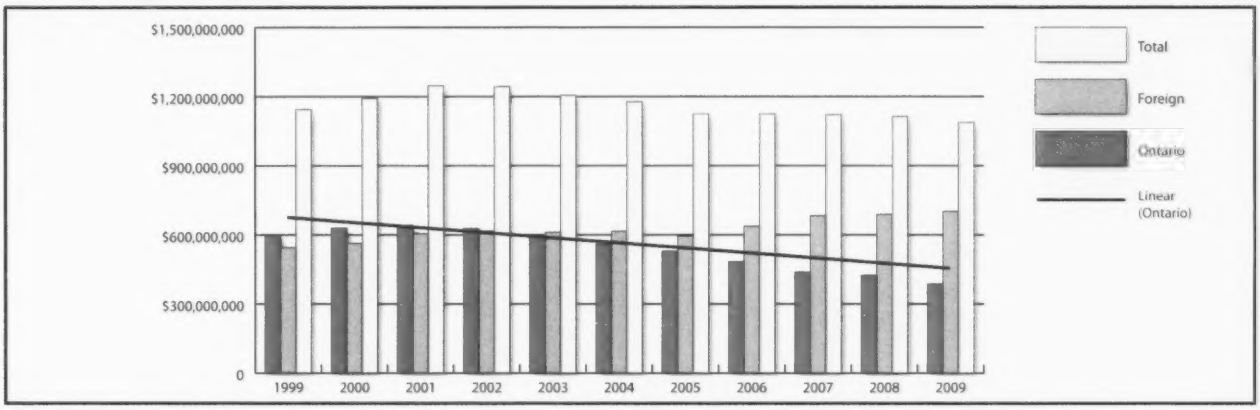


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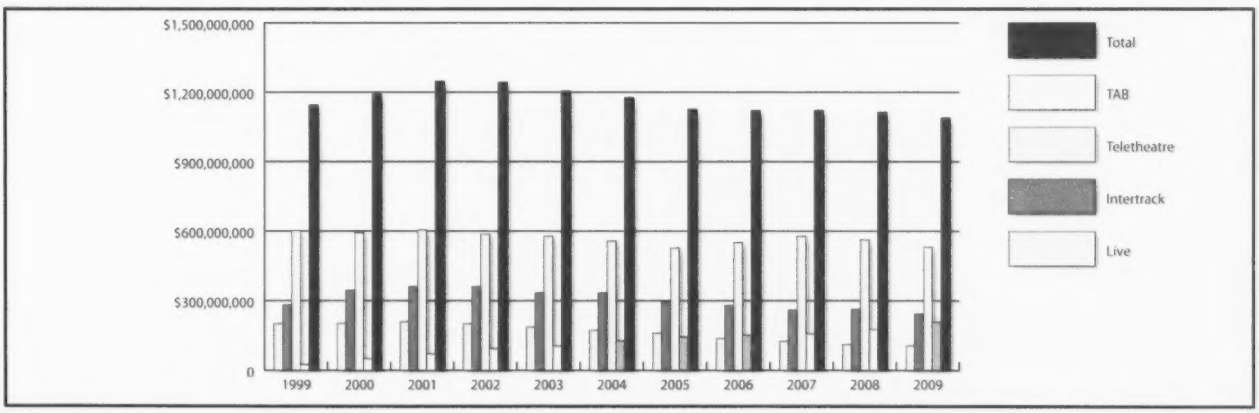

## TELETHEATRE WAGERING

| | THOROUGHBRED PRODUCT | | | STANDARDBRED PRODUCT | | | TOTAL TELETHEATRE | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TRACK | 2009 | 2008 | +/- | 2009 | 2008 | +/- | 2009 | 2008 | +/- |
| Woodbine Entertainment | 338,594,141 | 345,391,046 | -2.0% | 111,757,006 | 125,105,976 | -10.7% | 450,351,147 | 470,497,022 | -4.3% |
| Fort Erie | 17,658,635 | 20,094,414 | -12.1% | 5,212,636 | 6,451,824 | -19.2% | 22,871,270 | 26,546,238 | -13.8% |
| Flamboro Downs | 9,664,174 | 10,330,478 | -6.4% | 6,156,559 | 6,994,570 | -12.0% | 15,820,732 | 17,325,048 | -8.7% |
| Ontario Teletheatre Network | 8,235,265 | 8,796,115 | -6.4% | 5,637,043 | 6,556,310 | -14.0% | 13,872,308 | 15,352,425 | -9.6% |
| Rideau Carleton | 6,535,467 | 5,889,259 | 11.0% | 9,342,099 | 8,272,336 | 12.9% | 15,877,566 | 14,161,595 | 12.1% |
| Sudbury Downs | 6,087,502 | 7,249,369 | -16.0% | 3,506,999 | 3,842,492 | -8.7% | 9,594,502 | 11,091,861 | -13.5% |
| Georgian Downs Hub | 43,284 | 1,102,606 | -96.1% | 67,444 | 524,371 | -87.1% | 110,728 | 1,626,977 | -93.2% |
| Kawartha Downs | 70,083 | 1,152,852 | -93.9% | 151,862 | 1,281,111 | -88.1% | 221,945 | 2,433,963 | -90.9% |
| Windsor Network | 544,001 | 821,698 | -33.8% | 1,202,237 | 1,561,206 | -23.0% | 1,746,238 | 2,382,904 | -26.7% |
| Hanover | 400,571 | 448,196 | | 844,985 | 817,503 | | 1,245,556 | 1,265,699 | |
| GRAND TOTAL | 387,833,122 | 401,276,033 | -3.4% | 143,878,870 | 161,407,699 | -10.9% | 531,711,993 | 562,683,732 | -5.5% |

***Teletheatre** wagering occurs when a race track broadcasts its races to off-track locations licensed to conduct pari-mutuel wagering on races viewed on screens or TV sets. The wagering is electronically transmitted to a racetrack (the "hub") through which it enters the pari-mutuel wagering system.*

## TELEPHONE ACCOUNT WAGERING

| | THOROUGHBRED PRODUCT | | | STANDARDBRED PRODUCT | | | TOTAL TAB | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TRACK | 2009 | 2008 | +/- | 2009 | 2008 | +/- | 2009 | 2008 | +/- |
| Woodbine Entertainment | 130,619,890 | 111,463,153 | 17.2% | 45,102,619 | 41,801,803 | 7.9% | 175,722,509 | 153,264,955 | 14.7% |
| Fort Erie | 2,092,383 | 1,704,687 | 22.7% | 657,777 | 486,898 | 35.1% | 2,750,160 | 2,191,585 | 25.5% |
| Flamboro Downs | 4,388,244 | 2,822,038 | 55.5% | 3,099,763 | 2,156,465 | 43.7% | 7,488,007 | 4,978,504 | 50.4% |
| Ontario Teletheatre Network | 1,204,406 | 940,591 | 28.0% | 1,305,039 | 1,034,353 | 26.2% | 2,509,445 | 1,974,944 | 27.1% |
| Rideau Carleton | 1,515,627 | 1,302,984 | 16.3% | 1,503,914 | 1,128,283 | 33.3% | 3,019,542 | 2,431,267 | 24.2% |
| Georgian Downs | 2,202,436 | 1,720,131 | 28.0% | 1,203,223 | 1,039,426 | 15.8% | 3,405,659 | 2,759,557 | 23.4% |
| Kawartha Downs | 1,415,325 | 861,386 | 64.3% | 1,317,308 | 678,223 | 94.2% | 2,732,633 | 1,539,609 | 77.5% |
| Windsor | 1,550,415 | 995,120 | 55.8% | 1,916,170 | 1,526,615 | 25.5% | 3,466,584 | 2,521,735 | 37.5% |
| Hanover | 517,803 | 406,560 | 27.4% | 329,469 | 310,201 | 6.2% | 847,272 | 716,760 | 18.2% |
| Clinton | 132,010 | 94,301 | 40.0% | 637,787 | 342,753 | 86.1% | 769,797 | 437,054 | 76.1% |
| Dresden | 139,421 | 66,863 | 108.5% | 528,671 | 563,179 | -6.1% | 668,092 | 630,042 | 6.0% |
| Western Fair | 1,284,739 | 855,867 | 50.1% | 1,993,888 | 1,133,502 | 75.9% | 3,278,627 | 1,989,369 | 64.8% |
| Hiawatha | 154,398 | 166,090 | -7.0% | 107,576 | 114,045 | -5.7% | 261,974 | 280,135 | -6.5% |
| Woodstock | 194,328 | 133,634 | 45.4% | 525,440 | 345,772 | 52.0% | 719,768 | 479,406 | 50.1% |
| GRAND TOTAL | 147,411,424 | 123,533,403 | 19.3% | 60,228,645 | 52,661,519 | 14.4% | 207,640,069 | 176,194,922 | 17.8% |

## INTERTRACK WAGERING

| | THOROUGHBRED PRODUCT | | | STANDARDBRED PRODUCT | | | TOTAL WAGERING | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| THOROUGHBRED | | | | | | | | | |
| Woodbine | 92,868,938 | 99,238,967 | -6.4% | | | | 92,868,938 | 99,238,967 | -6.4% |
| Fort Erie | 6,493,646 | 7,784,540 | -16.6% | 518,481 | 675,339 | -23.2% | 7,012,127 | 8,459,879 | -17.1% |
| Total TB | 99,362,584 | 107,023,507 | -7.2% | 518,481 | 675,339 | -23.2% | 99,881,065 | 107,698,846 | -7.3% |
| QUARTER HORSE | | | | | | | | | |
| Ajax Downs | 6,917,639 | 7,323,670 | -5.5% | 3,233,308 | 3,676,352 | | 10,150,947 | 11,000,022 | -7.7% |
| TOTAL QH | 6,917,639 | 7,323,670 | -5.5% | 3,233,308 | 3,676,352 | | 10,150,947 | 11,000,022 | -7.7% |
| STANDARDBRED | | | | | | | | | |
| Woodbine | 15,307,243 | 16,205,124 | -5.5% | 19,860,888 | 22,994,017 | -13.6% | 35,168,131 | 39,199,141 | -10.3% |
| Mohawk | 6,471,678 | 6,524,244 | -0.8% | 14,485,127 | 15,334,470 | -5.5% | 20,956,806 | 21,858,714 | -4.1% |
| TOTAL WEG | 21,778,921 | 22,729,368 | -4.2% | 34,346,015 | 38,328,487 | -10.4% | 56,124,937 | 61,057,855 | -8.1% |
| Flamboro | 6,651,409 | 7,398,450 | -10.1% | 5,024,197 | 5,517,104 | -8.9% | 11,675,606 | 12,915,554 | -9.6% |
| Rideau | 3,356,468 | 3,267,296 | 2.7% | 3,678,596 | 3,690,257 | -0.3% | 7,035,063 | 6,957,553 | 1.1% |
| Windsor | 6,229,796 | 7,762,640 | -19.7% | 6,669,664 | 8,323,677 | -19.9% | 12,899,460 | 16,086,317 | -19.8% |
| Georgian | 6,777,883 | 7,447,680 | -9.0% | 4,359,376 | 4,199,939 | 3.8% | 11,137,259 | 11,647,619 | -4.4% |
| Western Fair | 6,343,160 | 7,159,109 | -11.4% | 7,405,028 | 8,908,645 | -16.9% | 13,748,189 | 16,067,754 | -14.4% |
| Kawartha | 1,303,578 | 1,016,569 | 28.2% | 2,370,642 | 1,707,404 | 38.8% | 3,674,220 | 2,723,973 | 34.9% |
| Hiawatha | 1,213,056 | 1,191,637 | 1.8% | 2,138,908 | 2,054,797 | 4.1% | 3,351,964 | 3,246,434 | 3.3% |
| Grand River | 1,932,709 | 1,939,524 | -0.4% | 2,172,150 | 2,340,022 | -7.2% | 4,104,860 | 4,279,546 | -4.1% |
| Sudbury | 508,553 | 454,992 | 11.8% | 590,617 | 457,223 | 29.2% | 1,099,170 | 912,215 | 20.5% |
| Hanover | 1,097,722 | 1,244,476 | -11.8% | 1,461,243 | 1,554,957 | -6.0% | 2,558,965 | 2,799,433 | -8.6% |
| Woodstock | 783,708 | 1,013,642 | -22.7% | 1,154,744 | 1,213,020 | -4.8% | 1,938,452 | 2,226,662 | -12.9% |
| Dresden | 340,510 | 409,659 | -16.9% | 1,047,645 | 950,038 | 10.3% | 1,388,155 | 1,359,697 | 2.1% |
| Clinton | 790,618 | 855,865 | -7.6% | 1,108,226 | 1,157,610 | N/A | 1,898,844 | 2,013,475 | N/A |
| TOTAL SB | 59,108,090 | 63,890,907 | -7.5% | 73,527,052 | 80,403,180 | -8.6% | 132,635,142 | 144,294,087 | -8.1% |
| GRAND TOTAL | 165,388,313 | 178,238,084 | -7.2% | 77,278,840 | 84,754,871 | -8.8% | 242,667,153 | 262,992,955 | -7.7% |

***Inter-track*** *wagering occurs when wagers are placed at a racetrack on the broadcast of races being run at other racetracks.*

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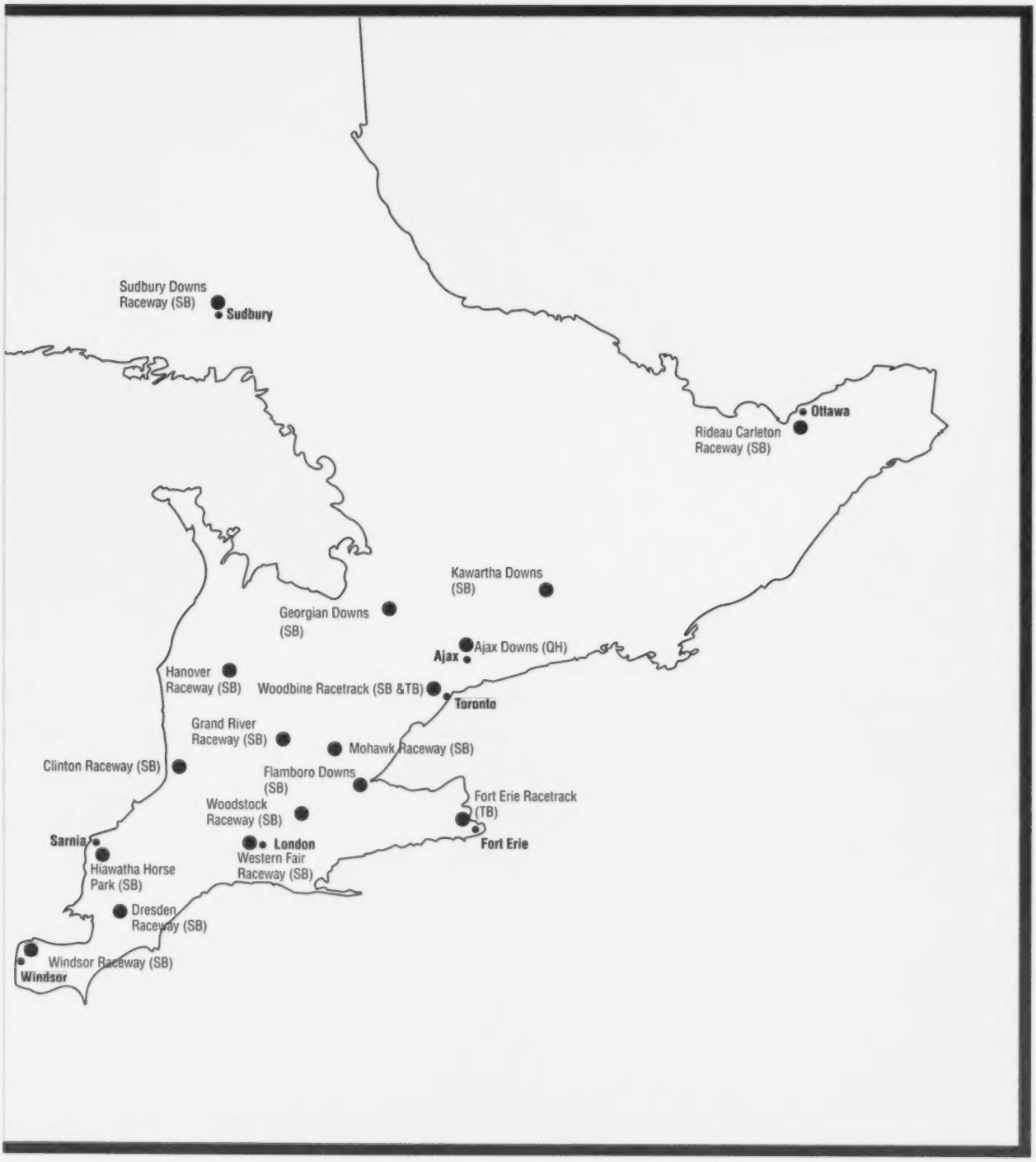
# Ontario Racetracks

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